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## CHICAGO SEEKS MONTH'S TRIAL OF CLEAN NEWS

30-Day "Moratorium on Scandal and Crime" in Press Urged by Churches

"PLAY DOWN VICE. PLAY UP VIRTUE."

Vigorous Resolutions to Newspapers Follow Christian Century's Proposal

Special from Monitor Bureau

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—The suggestion of a "month's moratorium on scandal and crime" in the local press, advanced last week by the Christian Century published here, has met with immediate response from churches in this vicinity. Several have already adopted vigorous resolutions denouncing exploitation of crime news and have sent them to Chicago newspapers, and other churches are yet to come.

The congregation of Olivet Institute Church, a community service church here, passed its resolutions by standing vote, followed while standing with prayer for their success. "We hereby approve," ran this declaration, "the principles and proposal of the open letter to the Christian Century that... our city newspapers play down vice and play up virtue."

Encouraging More Crime

The Rev. Norman B. Barr, a Presbyterian minister, who is pastor of this church, said in comment: "The newspapers are giving an undue proportion of attention to the criminal phases of modern society. I don't think we ought to be oblivious of crime, nor do I think we ought to spread such details on the front pages of our newspapers and fix them in the minds of the young. There is danger that without other things to check them they may be led to commit worse crimes. If youth does not have good set over against the evil to balance it, it may be swept away by the evil."

From Oak Park, one of Chicago's chief suburbs, the following resolution has been addressed to Chicago newspapers: "At the annual meeting of the Pilgrim Congregational Church, representing its 1100 members, the pastor was unanimously and enthusiastically instructed to convey to you our sincere hope that you would so order your publication as to 'play down' crime, and 'play up' those really significant events and constructive activities which make life worth living."

Weight of Opinion

"We believe this really represents the desire of the majority of our citizens and would aid in the cultivation of character. We earnestly hope that an honest endeavor to carry out this program might be made during the Lenten season beginning March 12 and ending Easter Sunday. We shall give our moral support to such a program. Every way and believe you will find it profitable from every standpoint."

The First Baptist Church of Evanston has called a special meeting for next Wednesday night to consider a similar action.

The open letter addressed to the newspaper proprietors of Chicago by the Christian Century says in part: "Parents on every hand are baffled by the problem of keeping decently clean and normal the minds of their youth, exposed as they inevitably are to the unwholesome picture of life which they see in the press. The demands of civic life are openly declaring journalism's preoccupation with crime to be a major cause of much of the moral delinquency in our time."

Press Held Responsible

We know that the apology often made for the vulgarity and scandal which bulk so large in the press is that this is the sort of thing the public wants. That there is some truth in this no one would deny, but you must concede that at least a considerable proportion of this demand is the creation of the press itself, which has fed the public's tastes of the public until it keeps asking for more and still more.

Our proposal is this, that you, the proprietors of the daily press of Chicago, agree together upon a united shift in news emphasis for one month. This is not a matter of hard and fast rules; it is nothing more than a month's trial of a reversal of your present theory of news.

We suggest, parenthetically, that the last 30 days of the Lenten season, beginning Mar. 12 and ending Easter Sunday, April 12, would offer an ideal period for the newspapers to make this contribution to the city's moral life, but of course the particular time selected does not matter.

ENGINEERS' STRIKE AFFECTS PARLIAMENT

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The electric lighting, heating and other engineering services at Buckingham Palace, the House of Commons, the House of Lords and the Admiralty are being run by volunteers today owing to the strike of the engineering staff of the Office of Works because of the employment of a non-union man in the eastern division.

Early today 220 men struck and it was expected 900 in all would be involved. Later, volunteers, always near by in case of emergency, were called on to do duty and will keep the electricity going in the royal apartments, but with King George and Queen Mary still at Sandringham their majesties are not likely to be affected by the discontent of their subjects unless the strike is extended. The heating furnaces in the Houses of Parliament will be closed down this afternoon.

## America in World Court Urged by Church Council

Strong Indorsement of U. S. Entry Voiced Before House Foreign Affairs Committee

Special from Monitor Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—America's entrance into the World Court was urged before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives by a delegation of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. Dr. Sidney L. Gulick, for the council, declared that the 29 denominations represented in the organization supporting adherence of the United States to the Court, as recommended by Presidents Harding and Coolidge.

"Most of the outstanding religious bodies during the last two years have taken action in their general assemblies that the United States enter the Permanent Court of International Justice," he said. "Hundreds of regional synods, presbyteries, associations and the conferences have also acted in this matter. At the quadrennial meeting of the

Federal Council of Churches the plan was indorsed."

Discussion in the committee brought out what appeared to be unanimity among members for America's entry into the World Court. The question, however, turned on House concurrent resolution No. 28, introduced by Hamilton Fish Jr. (R.), Representative from New York, which would put the lower House on record as being in sympathy with the World Court aims.

Generally the House of Representatives, in matters dealing with foreign affairs, waits for the initiative of the Senate. The expediency and propriety of the representatives going ahead with the matter at present was discussed at length. The mere fact of the matter's coming before the House committee, it is argued, is evidence of the strong national sentiment behind the proposal.

ANTIVIVISECTION MOVE IS GAINING

New England Society Meeting Reports Progress in Many Countries

Representative of the continuously growing activities against the practice of vivisection described as taking place in all parts of the world, reports were read at the thirtieth annual meeting of the New England Anti-Vivisection Society held in Boston today, showing that this organization has increased its membership fully 20 per cent in the last year, and has received increasing contributions and support in its undertakings.

"The proponents of vivisection have been thrown on the defensive," said Mrs. Frank Basil Tracy, executive secretary of the society. "While formerly they were accustomed to advertise their practices, now they are forced to defend their acts. Public opinion is growing steadily against the use of living animals for medical experimentation, and this opinion will ultimately demand its complete elimination."

Conference in London

Preparations are now being made, it was announced, for the World Conference of Anti-Vivisection Societies which will be held in London, Eng., next fall. The New England society plans to send at least one representative, and has been asked to have a special paper prepared to be read at the convention. At the election of officers the president officials were retained, including Mrs. Tracy, secretary; Arthur V. Hooper, treasurer; and Miss M. M. Banks, John Orth, Charles A. S. Truitt and Mrs. Arthur H. Whitney, members of the executive committee. Mrs. Tracy continues as executive secretary.

In his presidential report Mr. French noted especially the progress of the work throughout the world, speaking of the marked increase in the number of societies devoted to opposition to vivisection.

Big Demand for Literature

Indicative of the widespread growth of interest in the movement, Mrs. Tracy pointed out that requests for literature are being constantly received from widely divergent sections, including Argentina, for help in organizing a society there, and from Australia, Belgium and Italy as well as various parts of this continent. She said that the first edition of 10,000 copies of a book on "Human Vivisection" by Mr. Codman, was nearly distributed and that 10,000 copies, each of two smaller pamphlets were being circulated.

Mrs. Tracy expressed confidence that the coming year will see still greater development in the anti-vivisection cause both in the New England society and in all other organizations working to the same end.

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Disappointment Felt in Germany Over Allies' Reply to Latest Note

By Special Cable

BERLIN, Jan. 27.—The Allied reply to Germany's note of Jan. 6, which was received here yesterday, and which the Reich Government will answer today has disappointed the German people and done more than anything else to increase the bitterness to the Allies which was rekindled by the Cologne incident. Quite apart from the question whether the Germans are right or wrong, it is claimed that they are being punished without having been properly informed of the facts of their alleged crime and this is hurting their feelings.

The attitude of the Allies resembles that of a judge who announces his verdict and then refuses from day to day to give his reasons for it. The Democratic Reichstag Tagblatt writes this morning, and even the Socialist Vorwärts, which usually takes a pacifist line, declares it to have been the "moral duty" of the Allies to have announced the details of Germany's alleged default before announcing the prolongation of the occupation.

The German people simply fail to understand why the Allies are postponing the publication of Germany's responsibility for the protection of lives and property during the renewed fighting in the vicinity of Shanghai which, the communication stated, "has already proved a real curse for both the foreign and Chinese populations in this country."

The note urgently requests the Government to telegraph orders to the conflicting forces of Chi Hsi-chuan and Lu Yung-hsiang that under no circumstances are the troops to be allowed within the neighborhood of foreign habitations. In conclusion, the note expresses the hope that an early assurance to this effect will be received.

Further Communication

To Be Forwarded to Germany

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Comment in informed circles on the text of the interim Allied note to Germany on the subject of the postponement of the evacuation of the Chinese cities today, fastens on the fact that evacuation is now contingent solely on German compliance with the disarmament clauses of the Treaty of Versailles. The British had formerly insisted that the French should delay evacuation until the reparations had been completely paid.

It is held here that this standpoint has now been definitely abandoned, for the note declares that the Allies will soon send a further communication, setting forth what still remains to be done by Germany in fulfillment of its obligations under the Treaty of Versailles, and in saying this, specifically refers to the previous note of Jan. 5, which is solely concerned with German disarmament.

That statement of the Allies plan, instead of the complete payment of reparations should be the criterion for Germany's fulfillment of its treaty conditions is considered a great gain, as is also the fact that the Allies are now definitely committed to evacuate the first zone, as soon as certain conditions they undertake to name have been "faithfully" carried out by Germany.

WRANGLER FLEET HELD IN PLEDGE FOR CREDITS

By Special Cable

PARIS, Jan. 27.—The documents published concerning the Wrangler fleet sheltered at Bizerta show that the British Government has been retained the ships if it desired with a pledge for its credits on Russia. This reservation is expressed clearly in the correspondence of Georges Tchitcherine and Edouard Herriot, which appears to have shifted his ground and is now taking a similar stand to that of M. Poincaré. The actual delivery of the ships seems to depend on a general financial agreement.

COTTON SPINNERS' HOURS

MANCHESTER, Eng., Jan. 27.—The committee of the Federation of Cotton Spinners has decided to take a vote on the members' request to limit American cotton. Whether they will consent to a curtailment of working hours from 29½ hours weekly to 35 hours. The change, if authorized, would become effective in February.

WORKERS INCREASE

"Y" FUND BY \$15,184

Subscriptions of \$15,184 reported today at the campaign luncheon at the Boston City Club for workers in the Boston Y. M. C. A. canvass for \$135,579 brought the grand total up to \$105,325. Workers will make their final report at the City Club tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Washington—Receipts from public land sales have declined about 35 per cent in the past 20 years. It was disclosed in figures made public by the Interior Department. From \$3,725,000 in 1904, the sales dropped to \$1,235,000 in 1924.

New York—What is said to be the most extensive memorial compilation of newspaper stories and editorials ever made has been compiled as a gift to Princeton University from Edward W. Sheldon, president of the United States Trust Company. It concerns President Wilson, and all leading American foreign publications are represented in the 2750 articles.

Lakehurst, N. J.—The dirigible Los Angeles will make a test flight to Bermuda Feb. 14, officials of the Naval Air Station announce. The U. S. S. Patoka, airship tender, will accompany the dirigible to the island and the Los Angeles will remain at that port for the mooring mast of the Patoka for three days.

Tokyo (AP)—A bill granting a subsidy to the new radio corporation of Japan, established for the promotion of radio ship to the island and the Los Angeles will remain at that port for the mooring mast of the Patoka for three days.

Menars, France (AP)—A radio amateur in this little village of the French Pyrenees recently succeeded in transmitting for 10 minutes in hearing the radio station IPWA at Tokyo, Japan. He used a wavelength of 29 meters.

Washington—Invitations have been sent out by the inaugural committee to all state governors to participate in the parade and other inaugural ceremonies in Washington on March 4.

Attendance of the governors has long been a tradition in the inaugural parade and their escorts in the past have lent much of the color to inaugural processions.

## "Young Liberals" Urge Prohibition in Britain

By Cable from Monitor Bureau

London, Jan. 27

At a conference at Manchester last night of "young Liberals" a resolution was passed by a majority urging the Liberal Party to place prohibition in the forefront of its policy. This meeting is not taken as representative, since responsible Liberal leaders generally have so far confined their criticism of the liquor trade chiefly to its monopolistic features. It is indicative, nevertheless, of a definite movement among the rank and file.

## MOTOR TRAFFIC BOARD FAVORED

Vehicle Laws Found to Be Largely Adequate, but Need Enforcement

Recommendations designed to meet the motor vehicle problem are contained in the report of the special legislative committee which was filed with the clerk of the state Senate today. The report, which was drafted by the committee, and which is being discussed by the Senate, is largely adequate, but needs enforcement.

It finds, in substance, that the laws of Massachusetts are in most respects adequate to permit successful handling of the problem, and that the real need is for better enforcement rather than more law. Attention is called, however, to the fact that in certain respects some of the states have adopted codes more effective than those of this state. These deficiencies the committee recommends should be remedied by the passage of laws, the more important of which are:

1. Establishment of a maximum speed limit of 25 miles an hour.

2. Establishment of a motor traffic board.

Authority to this board would be to pass upon all highway signs and signals, and all local ordinances designed to regulate traffic in the motor vehicles, and to designate through routes on which motorists shall have the right of way over those entering from side streets.

Increased penalties, including a jail sentence in certain cases for operation of a motor vehicle without a license, and for commercial purposes, including those transporting passengers for hire.

Arrest Drunken Drivers

Appointment of a new equipment squad of 20 men, to inspect brakes, headlights and other equipment.

Righting police officers to report minor offenses to the registrar of motor vehicles, instead of making complaint in court.

Repeat of the requirements that applicants for licenses shall be sworn to.

Compelling every owner of a motor vehicle to provide, by insurance, a definite liability coverage, with respect to "drunken drivers," the age limit of operators, establishment of traffic courts, or the present "used car" law, prohibiting the resale of a machine without giving four days' notice of intention to sell.

On the bill providing for a traffic subway in Boston, with additional parking space, which was specifically referred to the committee for investigation, it recommends a further study by the division of metropolitan planning.

Fees on Weight Basis

The schedule of fees proposed by the committee places all trucks upon a weight basis, the weight being considered to be the aggregate of the vehicle's registered carrying capacity. The schedule establishes 50 cents for each 100 pounds of weight for trucks of less than 4000 pounds, and 75 cents per 100 pounds of weight for those weighing more than 4000 pounds.

Taxicabs, and other passenger carrying vehicles, including the big motorbuses, the committee recommends should be licensed on a "seat" basis, its schedule providing a fee of \$4 a seat for those seating seven or fewer, and \$5 a seat for those seating more than seven.

Revision of fees in this manner, the committee reports, will yield approximately \$3,000,000 of additional revenue next year. Another \$1,000,000 will be obtained through the re-rating of horse power of pleasure cars, which the division of highways is authorized to make this year. These changes, the committee finds, will place pleasure and commercial cars upon a proper relative basis, and in addition will yield all of the revenue the Commonwealth will need for the present.

If, later, it appears that more money is needed for construction and maintenance of highways, the report recommends that it be obtained through a gasoline tax.

ALESSANDRI INTERVIEWED

ROME, Jan. 27 (By Wireless).

Arrived in Rome yesterday morning, spent all day at the Chilean Embassy. In a statement to the Italian press, President Alessandri says that it is his intention to pacify Chile and put an end to the continuous domestic strife which renders impossible a stable government. The provisional government established by General Alessandri four months ago had not been able, he said, to carry out a single one of the many reforms which were essential for the safety of the country.

## PATHS OF LIGHT GUIDE FLIERS IN NIGHT AIR MAIL

Chicago - New York Link Nears Completion—Land-ing Fields Being Leased

Special from Monitor Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—With about 50 per cent of the necessary aviation fields already leased and lights installed, the Chicago-New York link night flying route from Chicago to Cheyenne, Wyo., The New York extension will form an additional 700 miles to the air highway.

When completed, the night airway will join up with the present 1000-mile night flying route from Chicago to Cheyenne, Wyo. The New York extension will form an additional 700 miles to the air highway.

Follows Cheyenne Pattern

On the Chicago-New York extension Colonel Henderson told a representative of The Christian Science Monitor, half the emergency landing fields already have been leased, while the other half are being "spotted" for visibility from air and land. The emergency fields for forced landings are a principal factor in the unique flying system the Air Mail has invented. The other factor is the high-way beams that will guide aviators on their way. These will follow the pattern already successfully in use on the Chicago-Cheyenne trip. The three types of lights being installed, Colonel Henderson says, are as follows:

1. Every three miles along the whole route are 5000-candle power acetylene lamps, flashing many times a minute. There are 300 of these.

2. Every 25 miles a secondary series of searchlight lamps of 7,000-candle power each. These are revolving beacons, located on windmill towers. There are 34 in all.

3. Finally, there are five huge half-billion candle power revolving searchlights, that sweep the skies from landing fields. These are 250 miles apart. Pilots are all able to pick up the beams from these as far as 50 miles off, it is said.

Description of Trip

What the night airway looks like from the air to the pilot is graphically described by Colonel Henderson, who frequently has made the Cheyenne-Chicago night trip. Automobile owners who have driven at night and seen their route ahead picked out by road lights may get an idea of the situation pilots face.

"We have shown that night flying is as practical and safe as day flying," Colonel Henderson said.

Describing a trip with the transcontinental air mail he wrote recently: "As we leave North Platte at 7:43 p. m. we begin to pick up in rapid succession the beams of the searchlights."

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## ANGLO-AMERICAN AGREEMENT HOPED FOR AT OPIUM PARLEY

Jugoslavs Reopen Albanian Frontier

By Special Cable

Belgrade, Jan. 27.—The Government has now reopened the frontier toward Albania which was closed last summer because of the hostile attitude of Fan Noli. The reason is that Ahmed Bey Zogu has returned to power and the Constituent Assembly has given a favorable declaration on the relations between Albania and Jugoslavia.

Reports which reached here on the opening of the frontier caused great satisfaction among the Albanian people, since the closing of the frontier hitherto has caused the breaking of all commercial relations in Albania, which depends upon Jugoslav markets. The Belgrade Government continues to publish documents showing the connections of Stephan Raditch with subversive aims abroad.

Conversations Expected to Lead to Way Out of Difficulty at Geneva

By Special Cable

GENEVA, Jan. 27.—As a result of conversations which took place yesterday it was decided to postpone the adjourned meeting of what is known as the committee of 16 appointed by the two opium conferences to discover means of dealing with the American proposals on prepared opium. There was, therefore, no sitting this morning.

For the moment the work of preparing the convention on the manufacture and distribution of drugs will continue and it is hoped that after further conversations between Stephen G. Porter, the American representative, and Lord Cecil, the British delegate, a way out of the difficulty concerning opium for smoking will be found which will obviate further loss of time in public discussion.

BULGARIA ANXIOUS FOR RATIFICATION

Greek Press Opposes Protocol Concerning Minorities

By Special Cable

SOFIA, Jan. 27.—An official of the Foreign Office, discussing with The Christian Science Monitor representative the press campaign in Greece against the ratification of the protocol concerning minorities, said: "In common with Greece, we signed the agreement at the suggestion of the League of Nations last summer, because we were convinced that the instrument offered the basis of the proper treatment of minorities. We hope that in the interest of peace and harmony in that section of the Balkans where Greece and Bulgaria come into contact, the treaty will be ratified."

"The rejection is entirely a matter between Greece and the League of Nations, and not between Greece and Bulgaria. We regret the stormy course which the protocol is meeting in Greece. Ratification of the protocol would be a great step forward in the settlement of the disturbed condition in the Balkans."

## Federal Red Tape Will Yield to White String

Washington, Jan. 27

RED tape of the liberal variety is to be supplanted by white string in Government departments as one of the economy measures undertaken through standardization of supplies. In making this announcement, Brig. Gen. Herbert M. Lord, director of the budget, explained that red tape not only costs more than string for wrapping purposes, but "I hope," he said, "this may be significant of elimination from the federal service of all that red tape signifies."

Moreover, the traditional blue-striped United States mail bag is to give way to the economy test. Blue-striped canvas costs a cent a yard more than plain gray and the change will effect an annual saving of about \$19,000.

Another economy step is taken in discontinuing the weather bureau's daily forecast card, whose usefulness has been lost by competition with newspapers and radio.

HERRIOT DEBT PLANS DEBATED

Ministerial Council Studies Substance of Declaration Premier Hopes to Make

By Special Cable

PARIS, Jan. 27.—A ministerial council discussed the substance of the declaration Edouard Herriot has the intention of making on the subject of irrevocable debts. It is hoped this will dissipate the grave misunderstanding which, it is recognized, has arisen over the conduct of the negotiations.

No official communication inviting France to make detailed proposals for giving up the irrevocable debts, which have been received. Moreover, it is extremely difficult for the Government to proceed further in view of the state of public feeling.

When the conversations opened with America it was only intended to give a preliminary indication of the position, while the United States, in exchange, would accord a 10-year moratorium before fixing the modalities of settlement. That was all. But Etienne Clémentel, the Minister of Finance, purely by way of illustration and believing in going beyond the American demands, sketched a subsequent tentative plan of payment, extending 30 years and subordinated, to a certain extent, to German payments.

Mr. Coolidge declared that if Congress sustained the current budget recommendation for expenditures, he would be able next fall to propose a further cut in taxes.

The President told officials that hereafter there must be a policy whereby the Government of getting more work done with fewer workers. He said there could be no reduction in the compensation of the work force, but that should be made up by a reduction in the number of workers. He said that last year aggregated \$1,680,000,000 was to reduce the number on that payroll.

"We are evidently entering upon an era of increasing business activity and material prosperity," said the President. "With increasing business we can surely depend upon increasing revenues. I have heretofore indicated my purpose that growing revenues shall not be absorbed in unwarranted increases in federal expenditures. With increasing business, an honest, reasonable increase in cost of Government is expected. That in increase, however, must not be timed to keep step, dollar for dollar, with the increase in revenue."

"Taxes Must Not Be Burden"

"Necessary increases in the cost of Government, due to legitimate federal growth, must be met by reduction in costs of existing activities and the discontinuance of operations that can be dispensed with without interference with federal efficiency. We are occupying fields that should be abandoned. We must reduce the cost of Government to a point which will reduce taxes to a point where they cease to be a burden. Loyalty to the tax payers of this Nation demands that we secure this result."

"I wish to organize a two per cent club among the Government officials," said General Lord. "The membership fee will be 2 per cent. If you curtail the estimated expenditures by 2 per cent you will carry out the desire of the President to reduce expenditures to \$3,000,000,000 as the President has directed."

The President said it was his desire "rather to talk of saving pennies and save them than to theorize in millions and save nothing." In other words, he added, the program is one of practical economy and that policy must be followed.

Recounting the efforts made in the last four years, Mr. Coolidge said the Government had spent \$5,338,000,000 in the fiscal year 1921 as compared with the \$3,534,000,000 estimate for the current year.

Pays Tribute to Taxpayer

In addition to this reduction of \$2,800,000,000, it is pointed out that during the same period the public debt had been cut by \$3,198,000,00







## LABOR TO MEET WITH CHURCHES

Employers Also Will Participate in Joint Conference

Church, organized labor and employer associations will be represented at a joint conference in the American House Thursday evening to discuss proposals toward making New England's industrial community one in which "prosperity is analogous to fair play, justice and sympathetic fellowship." The Greater Boston Federation of Churches is sponsoring the gathering.

"Labor's interest in Stabilized Prosperity," will be discussed by Robert Fechner, member of the executive board of the International Association of Machinists. "New England's Industrial Future" is the topic of Howard Conley, president of the Boston Chamber of Commerce. The Rev. Ernest G. Guthrie, president of the Greater Boston Federation of Churches, will preside.

An hour for questions will follow the speaking. Because of many debatable questions involved in trade unionism, the open shop, collective bargaining, lockouts, strikes and blacklists, the speakers as well as the questioners from the floor will be requested to stay closely by the topic, "Shall New England Prosper?"

"The church," the federation announces, "has never taken a stand for or against unionism or the open shop, but individual clergymen have expressed very definite beliefs on the matter, many admitting their ignorance of the real effects involved."

"Because of a feeling among a group of manufacturers of Boston that the ministers are not fully aware of improvements and good conditions of a great deal of industry today, they have invited the clergymen to visit their plants and to judge first hand of what they see."

"Several such expeditions have already been planned and executed. The conference Thursday evening will see a fair proportion of men from the pulpits who will come to learn, and possibly to state where the church and religion come when industrial matters are discussed."

The conference, which is scheduled to start at 7:15, will be open to the general public.

## SCHOOL HEADS BACK TEACHERS' COLLEGE

Careful consideration of the proposal to establish a municipal junior college, in the near future, was recommended by the board of superintendents of the Boston School Department to the School Committee, which held a special meeting last evening to conclude various pending matters.

The report was the outcome of an order passed by the City Council requesting the School Committee to consider the advisability of establishing a municipal university. The superintendents' board recommended that the Teachers' College be regarded as the nucleus of a municipal university. It is probable that nothing further will be done about the university for some months at least.

Next Monday the School Committee will elect a new chairman. Each of the five members of the committee is a candidate. Under Boston's new city charter the present school committee which closes its year at this time, holds over until the election of an enlarged school committee next November.

## MAINE PRODUCTS USED FOR MAINE LUNCHEON

PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 27 (Special).—Carrying out the campaign of the "Know Maine products" idea advocated by Governor Brewster, the Round Table, an organization of business and professional men met in Portland, yesterday had at its semi-monthly luncheon a menu comprised of Maine products.

The items on the menu were: Cream of Maine tomatoes, aux croûtons; Maine clam croquettes; Maine farm pork chops served with Maine McIntosh fried apples; Maine canned peas; Maine Golden Bantam corn; Aroostook potatoes; muffins from Maine wheat; Maine made ice cream on Maine apple pie.

LIQUOR SALE BILL DEFEATED. By a standing vote of 127 to 24 the Massachusetts House of Representatives refused yesterday to adopt an order filed by Roland D. Sawyer, member from Ware, to order the Special Commission on the Necessaries of Life to investigate the sale and prices charged for liquors prescribed by physicians as medicines. The legislative committee on rules had reported against the adoption of the bill and Mr. Sawyer sought to have the House override this veto.



"I Record Only the Sunny Hours"

Washington, Jan. 27. COLLEGE professors may find inspiration and college students encouragement and reassurance in the recent action of a distinguished member of the faculty of one of the oldest and most famous of American universities.

The professor in question has a family. Its members have tastes which call for the expenditure of considerable money and he has little more than the average income of men of his profession and standing. Recently a tempting offer came to him. The head of a great corporation wanted him to undertake a survey and investigation lasting about six months. The work carried a special appeal to the inclination and abilities of the professor.

So great was the confidence in his judgment and integrity, that the head of the corporation wrote, that his conclusions and recommendations would be accepted without question. There was obviously an opportunity for him to accomplish something worth while, as well as to engage in profitable and congenial work. Moreover, the president and other university authorities were favorably disposed toward his accepting the offer. They liked to have men connected with the university identified with outside enterprises of a notable kind. They appreciated the confidence reposed in the professor.

All seemed to be proceeding favorably for a half year's leave of absence. The professor and his wife talked of things they could do with the extra money, especially in the way of added advantages for two of the children. The letter of acceptance was about to be penned.

"I will sleep on it another night," said the professor.

The next morning he was unusually cheerful.

"You have evidently reached a decision," his wife commented just before he started for the classroom.

"You are right, my dear, I have."

"When do you start?"

"In five minutes—for my class. I am going to stick by my boys."

"You mean that you are not going to accept that splendid offer?"

"I mean that I am going to meet my splendid opportunity here. Look here, my dear, I can't desert those boys who have taken the course, because they wanted me to give it. Doubtless someone else could do it better by a long shot, but it is my course and I would be throwing them over if I gave it up halfway through."

There are many farmers in Rutland County alone who are desirous of having new trees on their land, but the cost of labor incident to the planting of the trees has in most cases prevented them from carrying out their reforestation ideas. It was due to this fact largely that the present plan in training the boys in forestry and planting was instituted.

The bureau's plans follow the work now being stressed by the forestry commission, which is to interest farmers throughout Vermont in the planting of trees on their land.

According to a prospectus of the work, the farmers will be asked to purchase white pine trees which will be planted by the boys after they have been thoroughly trained in planting methods.

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to take something just because it would pay me more money—and appeals a little to my vanity.

"No, I am going to stick by the boys, as I would like a professor to stick by my boy if he were taking a course that meant a good deal to him. How would you like it if Jim's favorite man went off to Europe just as he thought he was really getting something from him?"

"No, I'll stick by the boys. Good-by."

## NEW CITY WARD BILL DEBATED

Boston's Assistant Counsel Protests Plan's Start at 1925 Election

Whether the new Boston ward lines shall become effective for this year's election was the subject of debate at the hearing in the State House today held before the legislative committee on election laws.

The professor in question has a family. Its members have tastes which call for the expenditure of considerable money and he has little more than the average income of men of his profession and standing. Recently a tempting offer came to him. The head of a great corporation wanted him to undertake a survey and investigation lasting about six months. The work carried a special appeal to the inclination and abilities of the professor.

So great was the confidence in his judgment and integrity, that the head of the corporation wrote, that his conclusions and recommendations would be accepted without question. There was obviously an opportunity for him to accomplish something worth while, as well as to engage in profitable and congenial work. Moreover, the president and other university authorities were favorably disposed toward his accepting the offer. They liked to have men connected with the university identified with outside enterprises of a notable kind. They appreciated the confidence reposed in the professor.

All seemed to be proceeding favorably for a half year's leave of absence. The professor and his wife talked of things they could do with the extra money, especially in the way of added advantages for two of the children. The letter of acceptance was about to be penned.

"I will sleep on it another night," said the professor.

The next morning he was unusually cheerful.

"You have evidently reached a decision," his wife commented just before he started for the classroom.

"You are right, my dear, I have."

"When do you start?"

"In five minutes—for my class. I am going to stick by my boys."

"You mean that you are not going to accept that splendid offer?"

"I mean that I am going to meet my splendid opportunity here. Look here, my dear, I can't desert those boys who have taken the course, because they wanted me to give it. Doubtless someone else could do it better by a long shot, but it is my course and I would be throwing them over if I gave it up halfway through."

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## HARVARD ADVERTISING AWARDS SELECTED FROM 5000 ENTRIES

Leading Publicity Men of America Attend Dinner Announcing Winners of Edward W. Bok Prizes—Truth in Statement Stressed by Speakers

With the objective that integrity of advertising may receive increasing recognition, the jury of the Harvard advertising awards of 1924, under the gift of Edward W. Bok, editor and philanthropist, made nine awards last night for work of special merit, after it had considered 5000 advertisements submitted by 175 agencies and advertisers. Wallace B. Donham, dean of the Harvard School of Business Administration, made the presentations at a dinner at the Harvard Union, attended by leading advertising men of the United States.

Three awards were made to Barton, Durstine & Osborn, Inc., one for a national campaign of an institutional type, used by the General Motors Company, deemed most conspicuous for excellence of planning and execution; another for the best local campaign, conducted in behalf of the R. H. Macy Company, consisting of small advertisements of editorial character, and a third for an advertising research project in behalf of the American Radiator Company. The prizes were of \$1500 each, with certificates of award, which Bruce Barton received in person in behalf of his firm.

Importance of Research Work. Stanley Resor, president of the J. Walter Thompson Company, which was the winner of two \$1500 awards, spoke of the importance of advertising research for preparation to meet the problem at hand. It was for the national campaign advertising of a specific product, "Lux," a product of Lever Brothers Company, and for research work into circulation figures that his firm won its prizes.

For distinguished individual advertisements three other awards were made, one of Erma Perham Proetz of the Gardner Advertising Company of St. Louis for an advertisement of Pet Milk titled "Take Baby and Go," appearing in magazines in the summer of 1924. Mrs. Proetz received the certificate in person and was warmly applauded when it was presented to her by Mr. Donham.

L. Hayward Bartlett of the Eastman Kodak Company of Rochester won the award for the advertisement, "Keep a Kodak Story of the Children," most effectively accomplishing its purpose in a few words. This was one of a series of advertisements published by the Eastman company, assisted by Frank Seaman, Inc.

Award for Best Use of English. For the advertisement deemed best in its use of English an award was made to the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, with recognition to Robert Lynn Cox, second vice-president, and to the Hawley Advertising Company, for an advertisement entitled "100 Years to a Day." These three prizes were of \$1000 each.

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## TWO STAR CHAPTERS HOLD INSTALLATIONS

Grand Officers Officiate at Hingham and Needham

Grand officers officiated last night at two installations in Eastern Star chapters in Boston and vicinity. Mrs. Helen H. Barnfather, Grand Matron of the State, and Guy A. Ham, Past Grand Patron, with Mrs. Edith W. Hall as Grand Marshal, served at Dorothy Bradford Chapter in Hingham. Mrs. Annie L. Woodman, Associate Grand Matron and J. Brennan Bailey, Associate Grand Patron, performed similar services at Wisteria Chapter in Needham.

At Dorothy Bradford Chapter, Mrs. Alda A. Whiton was installed Worthy Matron to succeed Mrs. Mary Tirrell, who was made Marshal. Walter A. Whitlock succeeded Herbert E. Wilder as Worthy Patron. The other officers inducted were: Mrs. Kathryn T. Whitlock, Associate Matron; Mrs. Jennie M. Rich, Secretary; Mrs. Carrie L. Wade, Chaplain; Mrs. Viola M. Deland, Conductress; Mrs. Mary D. Learned, Associate Conductress; Mrs. Susie F. Cross, Organist; Mrs. Emma M. Eldredge, Warder; Richard Laurie, Sentinel. The star points were Mrs. Lillian F. James, Adah; Mrs. Olive B. Wilder, Ruth; Mrs. Bessie Paulin, Esther; Mrs. Emma A. Butler, Martha; Mrs. Ada Laurie, Electa.

Jewels and gifts were presented to the retiring Matron and Patron. Officers installed at Wisteria were: Mrs. Ella M. Noyes, Worthy Matron; Arthur W. Curran, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Muriel McIntosh, Associate Matron; Mrs. E. Maude Bryer, Secretary; Mrs. Caroline B. Wight, Treasurer; Mrs. Mildred A. Nickerson, Conductress; Mrs. Marjorie Moore, Associate Conductress and Mrs. Lillian K. Holt, past Matron, Chaplain.

Among the members of the 1924 jury who were guests last night were: Dr. M. T. Copeland, head of the Harvard bureau of business research and chairman of the jury; Philip Thomson of the Western Electric Company, H. K. McCann of New York, Harry Dwight Smith of the Fuller & Smith agency of Cleveland, O. C. Harn of the National Lead Company, Milton Towne of the Joseph Richards Company of New York, George Carter Sherman of the Sherman & Lehair agency of New York, Dr. Daniel Starch, professor of advertising at the Harvard School of Business Administration, and Condie Nant of the Nant publications, New York.

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GRADUAL CURB  
ON DRUGS SEENPopular Desire for Benefits  
From Opium Ban, De-  
clared Essential

Preliminary to the effective enforcement of any program to suppress the opium trade which the conference, now in session in Geneva, may adopt, there must first be aroused an actual desire among the peoples of the opium-growing countries to check its cultivation, Charles C. Batchelder, former United States Trade Commissioner in India, formerly commercial attaché in China and now lecturer on international relations at New York University, said in an interview with a representative of The Christian Science Monitor today. Mr. Batchelder visited Boston to address the Foreign Policy Association Saturday.

With China, India, Persia and Turkey, the leading opium-producing lands, the fundamental prerequisite to a solution to the world's opium problem, according to Mr. Batchelder, is the sponsoring of a definite program of education in these separate countries for a popular recognition of the good which will follow checking the growth of this drug.

"No regulations," he declared, "which may be reached by international agreement can take effect until the peoples themselves are willing to give such regulations their sincere support."

## Defends British View

To this end Mr. Batchelder expressed the conviction that Great Britain is making a real effort to stop the domestic use of opium in India, and that its delegates, in objecting to the American plan to start immediately to force an end to opium-smoking, were actuated by a well-founded opinion that it would be impossible to put into effect what the people in the opium-growing countries are not generally supporting.

In connection with the recent controversy between Lord Cecil and Stephen G. Porter, American delegate at the Geneva conference, over the narcotic situation in the United States, Mr. Batchelder said that both were correct in their statements while each conveyed different impressions.

Lord Cecil quoted statistics to show the actual use of drugs within this country, he said, while Mr. Porter quoted official importation figures, the difference being accounted for by the large amount of drugs which, according to Mr. Batchelder, are smuggled largely over the Mexican border.

## Gandhi Movement

In regard to India he believes that the Government is not in a position at the present time to cope with the issue, but that Mahatma Gandhi, reform leader, is achieving substantial results in discouraging the people from its use. He feels that Gandhi's cause must precede Government action, and that there is being steadily developed a sentiment against the opium trade.

Similarly is the situation described in China, which Mr. Batchelder said is the largest opium-growing country in the world. The educated class is held to be sincerely in favor of the suppression of opium cultivation, despite the large revenue which it is said to bring the Government.

Mr. Batchelder, while emphasizing that he is not an expert on the subject, that he is merely an observer, said that he is strongly in favor of the eradication of the opium industry as soon as possible, summed up his opinion that before international action could achieve actual results, the governments of the separate countries must be able to carry out such regulations, and must be backed by the support of their nationals.

QUINCY PREPARES  
FOR CELEBRATIONBrilliant 300th Anniversary  
Seen in Tentative Plans

Plans for the 300th celebration of the settling of Quincy, which will take place in June, will be discussed tomorrow night by the general committee, of which Col. Warren E. Sweetser is chairman. The committee will meet at the Quincy City Hall and will welcome any suggestions the citizens may wish to make.

The first meeting of the general committee was held last night in the Quincy High School. It was agreed that the celebration should open with church services and be followed by a parade, pageant, historical address and exhibit of relics. There was, however, a difference of opinion as to whether the celebration should extend over four or eight days.

Fred B. Rice of the Quincy His-

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Sunday Dinner 12:15 to 2:15—5:15 to 7:15

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Parliament Consideration,  
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

torical Society favored a celebration of three days. Former Mayor Joseph L. Whiton was for a celebration of seven days, beginning Sunday and ending Saturday night. He strongly opposed the idea of setting aside days for separate celebrations by various nationalities. "What was aim for," he said, "is a purely American day, an unhyphenated American day with no flag flying but the American flag." He thought an appropriation of \$50,000 would be necessary. One citizen suggested that the celebration last eight days, thus opening and closing with church services.

In addition to Colonel Sweetser as chairman, four vice-chairmen have been selected as follows: Russell A. Sears, Col. Henry L. Kincaide, Chester I. Campbell and Forrest I. Neal. Maurice P. Spillany was elected secretary and George F. Hall, treasurer.

## Directs Albany Community Chorus



ELMER A. TIDMARSH

NEW ENGLAND TAKES  
\$13,000,000 OF LOANNew Haven Road Head Says  
Company Saved \$1,000,000

NEW HAVEN, Jan. 27.—E. G. Buckland, vice-president of the New Haven Road, addressing the board of directors of the Connecticut Chamber of Commerce here, said that \$13,000,000 of the road's French loan of \$23,000,000 had been subscribed for by New England business interests without the railroad having had to pay one cent for underwriting commissions.

This arrangement, which he characterized as a new one in railroad financing, had been made possible, he said, by the co-operation of various New England organizations acting with the Manufacturers' Association of Connecticut. He said that this voluntary co-operation had saved the road over \$1,000,000 in the usual commission.

"This unique accomplishment will show the United States," he said, "and those sections of it that consider the New Haven road the black beast" and New England a decadent community the impressive fact that New England can take care of its own work."

Individual subscriptions, he said, ranged from \$1,000,000 down to \$100 from some of the section hands. Mr. Buckland was elected a member of the directorate of the Chamber of Commerce.

CITIES WOULD SPEND  
MONEY TO ADVERTISE

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Jan. 27 (Special).—The question of petitioning the Legislature for an act to enable a city to appropriate money to advertise itself will be taken up at the annual meeting of the Association of Cities of Massachusetts, to be held in Northampton next month.

Connecticut River navigation and changes in the billboard advertising law also will be on the program for discussion and possible action.

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Albany Community Chorus  
Growing in Popular AppealSince Organization During War More Than 1500 Persons  
Have Joined in Regular Monday "Sings"—  
Many Guest Artists Appear on Programs

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 26 (Special Correspondence).—Organized in 1917 as a war-time body, the Albany Community Chorus has grown into what is regarded as a great municipal asset and a model for others throughout the United States.

The Albany chorus, which is said to be the only organization of its kind which is entirely self-supporting, vies in attendance and artistic merit with the great choruses of the Pacific slope which are aided by municipal funds. Voluntary contributions in small amounts by the active members at each week's rehearsal on Monday night in Chancellor's Hall in the State education building meet the financial needs.

The chorus possesses a popular appeal which has a response from persons in all walks of life, the banker and merchant, the teacher and the school child joining in the varied choral programs side by side. Through years of careful program building, the leaders of this musical body have attained a standard of weekly program which attracts all.

A typical rehearsal program included the following: The singing by the chorus members of 19 songs including ballads, popular airs and sacred numbers; two numbers by a guest artist and the showing of motion pictures both humorous and educational. In addition, there are occasional lecture talks by statesmen, politicians, and natural scientists.

## Monday Programs

The guest artist, who gives his program during the rehearsal intermission, may be a vocalist, pianist, violinist or instrumentalist. Groups also appear and orchestras have appeared on the chorus stage. The Community chorus often serves to introduce artists of worth to the musical public and fulfills in many ways its real community aim.

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WORCESTER, Mass., Jan. 27.—The Rev. Dr. G. A. Brandelle of Rock Island, Ill., president of the Augustana Synod which has 350,000 members, was an unexpected guest at the opening devotional of the annual meeting of the Worcester District, New England Lutheran Conference last night. Dr. Brandelle, who was recently made a commander of the second order of the North Star by the King of Sweden, spoke on leading a Christian life.

Other speakers at the devotional exercises were the Rev. C. A. Lindvall of North Grovesend, Conn. The Rev. F. E. W. Kastman of Gardner, and the Rev. Henry Hanson of Orange.

MUSIC SCHOOL ELECTS  
G. L. FOOTE PRESIDENT

George Luther Foote, composer and pianist, was elected president of the South End Music School at the annual meeting of the executive committee yesterday, at the house of Miss Mary C. Wheelwright, 73 Mount Vernon Street. Robert A. Woods and Miss Annie E. Nourse were elected vice-presidents; Mrs. Sewall Cabot, secretary; Harold Peabody, treasurer.

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PENNSYLVANIA 'PAYS AS IT GOES,'  
DECLARES GOVERNOR PINCHOT

Budget Message to Biennial Legislature Asserts "Inherited Debt" of \$29,000,000 Will Be Liquidated by June 1—\$120,211,464 Fund Approved

HARRISBURG, Jan. 27.—Governor Pinchot, Governor, today presented to the General Assembly a budget carrying a total of \$120,211,464 for current expenditures of the state government for the 1925-27 biennium.

The amount available for appropriation by the Legislature he placed at \$120,211,998.45, based on a "safe and conservative estimate" of general fund receipts for the two years of \$122,850,000. The budget calls for an appropriation of \$500,000 for law enforcement under the Department of Justice. Other important increases include \$2,500,000 for normal schools and \$1,000,000 toward a new Eastern Penitentiary.

The budget enumerated items of the appropriation liability or "inherited debt," as the Governor termed it, of more than \$29,000,000, which existed when he took office and set forth details which, Mr. Pinchot said, "prove that four-fifths of it had already been paid on Nov. 1, 1924, and that the rest will be paid or contracted for by June 1 next."

## Motor Tax for Highways

The Governor recommended to the Legislature that for the next biennium receipts, estimated at \$4,812,500, from the ordinary gasoline tax—1 cent a gallon—should provide for interest and sinking fund payments on highway bonds, "since these are part of the legitimate expenses of maintaining the highways of the State." From all sources, he said, the highway department will have about \$100,065,025 for the next biennium, of which \$2,406,691 will come from the general fund.

Declaring the State is back "on a substantial pay-as-you-go basis," the Governor said: "In a word, the State of Pennsylvania is once more solvent." This he attributed to the fiscal control established by the administrative code.

Below 1921 Appropriations

Estimates of current operating expenses for every department responsible to the Governor under the general fund, except the Department of Welfare, he said, are still below the appropriations made by the 1921 Legislature.

The agricultural department's allotment under the budget is placed at \$2,933,363. The budget carries a total for the School Employees' Retirement Funds of \$5,490,000, which, the Governor said, will "for the first time since the funds were begun, meet in full the State's obligations to the teachers of Pennsylvania."

"In conclusion," he said, "it is no more than fair to say that the financial condition of the State is better than it has been for years. During the calendar year 1922 the bills on

hand in the Treasury of this Commonwealth in excess of cash on hand, and due and unpaid for want of cash, averaged more than \$13,000,000 at the end of each month. During the calendar year 1924 they averaged but \$395,000, or about one-fifth of what they were when this Administration took office."

## GRADED INHERITANCE TAX IS HELD ILLEGAL

New Hampshire Supreme Court Passes on 1923 Law

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 27.—The Supreme Court yesterday for a second time ruled against a graded inheritance tax, a decision concurred in by all of the justices declaring the so-called 1923 inheritance tax law unconstitutional.

A similar ruling was made last June in the case of a similar law passed in 1919. The court held a flat inheritance tax to be the only one constitutional in this State. Such a law, providing for a tax of 5 per cent, is on the statute books, having been passed a number of years ago.

The new law, which provided for rates ranging from 2 to 10 per cent, according to the size of the estate, had been expected to provide an annual revenue of about \$400,000, as against approximately \$175,000 produced by the flat-rate law.

The decision was written by Chief Justice Robert J. Peaslee of Manchester, concerning the case of the \$60,000 estate of Henry A. Emerson of Henniker.

## RADIOCAST ARRANGED FOR SNOWSHOE CLUBS

MONTREAL, Jan. 26.—Members of snowshoe clubs in Quebec and Ontario have planned to go to Lewiston, Me., on Feb. 7 and 8, to attend the annual convention of the Canadian Snowshoe Union, which, for the first time, is to be held outside of the Dominion, making it a thoroughly international affair. To give the people of New England a foretaste of what they may expect the radio department of the Canadian National Railways has arranged a special broadcast from CNRM, Montreal, on the night of Jan. 28, at 7:45 o'clock, on which occasion members of snowshoe clubs will play music and sing French Canadian songs, characteristic of their out-of-door recreation. Some of these French Canadian clubs have been in active existence for more than half a century.

## MAINE JUDGE RENOMINATED

AUGUSTA, Me., Jan. 27.—Governor Brewster yesterday renominated Charles J. Dunn of Orono to be an associate justice of the supreme judicial court. Justice Dunn was first appointed by Gov. Carl E. Milliken in 1918.

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## PLEA FOR DIRECT PRIMARY ISSUED

Maine W. C. T. U. Head Asks Women of State to Protest Repeal at Hearing

TURNER, Me., Jan. 27 (Special).—Making an appeal for retention of the direct primary law, Mrs. Althea G. Quimby, president of the Maine W. C. T. U., asks that members of the organization get out in large numbers to the hearing on the proposed repeal measures before the legislative committee on judiciary at the State House at Augusta on Wednesday.

Mrs. Quimby is one of the group of public leaders who have taken a firm stand in support of the direct primary law of the State and in the appeal sent to the presidents of all the local unions, she says:

**Great Step Backward**

The politicians of the State, and some unwittingly influenced, are seeking the death of our direct primary law, and again introduce the convention system of nominating candidates for public office. This, I believe, would be a great step backward and a great blow to law enforcement.

Under the direct primary all the citizens of the State have a voice in nominating the men who shall enforce our laws. Any form of convention system gives opportunity for the wily politician to influence the nomination. Women's vote, would to a great degree, lose its power.

Under the direct primary there is less danger of fraud than by any other system. The direct primary did not develop the self-seeking politician. He has long been with us. Many good men enter the primary at request of friends and patriotic citizens.

**Two Bills Introduced**

Two bills have been introduced—the Antoine bill in the Senate, the Oakes bill in the House—both seeking the return of the self-seeking politician. Both these bills kill the direct primary law.

Will you not at once, and get other prominent men and women, to write your senators and representatives a brief letter asking them to use their great influence against the passage of these bills.

To extend enrollment to all towns will avoid the confusion that arose in some places at our last election and would strengthen the law. We shall support such an amendment if it is introduced.

The retention of our direct primary law is very important. The same sinister influences which we have so long fought are pushing for repeal of the law. An important hearing will be held on Jan. 28 before the judiciary committee. We hope white ribbons in large numbers will be present.

## INTERNATIONAL CHORAL FESTIVAL ANNOUNCED

A dozen national singing groups will participate in the second International Choral Festival, to be held in Symphony Hall, Sunday afternoon, May 3, the Community Service of Boston announces following the organization meeting at the Chickering piano rooms on Tremont Street yesterday. These groups will include Armenian, Swedish, Dutch, German, Danish, Russian, Hebrew, Greek, Ukrainian, Lithuanian, Spanish and Lettish.

Each group will sing two songs in its own language and have its choice of either one of the prescribed numbers: "Hunters' Festival," by Mendelssohn, for male chorus, or "Mother Moscow," by Tchesnokoff, for mixed voices. Prizes to be offered this year will be announced later.

**JEWISH REFUGEE FUND SOUGHT**

A joint campaign to raise \$250,000 in New England for the Ort Reconstruction Fund, Emergency Committee on Jewish Refugees, and the American Jewish Congress, is now being launched in all cities of New England. These organizations aim to relieve the distressed situation of many thousands of Jewish refugees in various European ports, and to assist in the economic rehabilitation of the Jews of Europe. Samuel Kalesky is chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements.

**PAST MONARCHS ELECT**

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Jan. 27 (Special).—Fred C. Smith was elected president of the Past Monarchs' Association of Bela Grotto, Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, at the annual meeting last night. He succeeds Arthur H. Tupper. John Torrey Hawkins was re-elected vice-president.

Registered at The Christian Science Publishing House

Among the visitors from various parts of the world who registered at The Christian Science Publishing House yesterday were the following: Miss Gertrude M. Barnes, Lafayette, Ind.; Mrs. Myrtle Kelly, Lafayette, Ind.; Mrs. Maggie Friesen, Fairburg, Neb.; Arthur E. Anderson, Fairbury, Neb.; Edna Chamberlin, Carlisle, O.; Caroline G. Voorhees, Uxbridge, Mass.; Mrs. Rosa E. Miller, Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. Amy K. Eisenhardt, Racine, Wis.; Miss Maude M. Cook, London, Eng.

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## Chicago Opera Company—Offerings at Local Theaters

### Chicago Opera Opens Its Boston Season With "Aida"

The Chicago Civic Opera Company opened a two weeks' season last night at the Boston Opera House with a performance of Verdi's "Aida." The cast:

The King.....Alexander Kipnis  
Amonasro.....Charles Marshall  
Aida.....Rosa Raisa  
Ramfis.....Virgilio Lazari  
Amonasro.....Cesare Formichi  
Priestess.....Elizabeth Kerr  
Messenger.....Lodovico Olivero  
Conductor, Roberto Moranzoni

Again an opera season opened with "Aida." This has become almost inevitable, and after all, what opera is more suited to the purpose? There is opportunity for the display of the most distinguished artists; there are brilliant ensembles, gorgeous costumes and scenery; in fact, all the trappings which after all is but little. And above all, we in Boston abhor the unconventional in music. We like the good old comfortable music we have known for a generation or two past; that is, those of us who are able to lend the necessary financial support for a season of opera seem to favor such music.

Therefore "Aida" is eminently suitable for an opening night. It sets the tone of the season; it undoubtedly gives confidence to the subscribers, for is it not quite evident to them on seeing this opera that they are getting a good return for their money?

No one will dispute the beauties of "Aida." Familiar as they are, they are always welcome. And it is surprising that with the lapse of years they have not faded more than they have, which after all is but little. And how many pages of this glowing score excite admiration and even wonder!

**Performance Conventional**

It is perhaps out of place to speak thus of the music of "Aida" at this late date, but a work of genius inevitably calls forth admiration, no matter how well known it may be and we, for one, unhesitatingly confess to being still moved by this opera. Nevertheless operatic music has made progress during the past 50 years or so, although here in Boston we have had little opportunity of judging of this progress at first hand. Nor can it be expected of a visiting opera company to venture on novelties during so short a season. A resident opera company, which could successfully undertake such a task, should not be beyond possibility in a city of this size, which has always prided itself on being a center of artistic life and culture. It is to be hoped that these all too short visits of the Chicagoans will rouse public interest sufficiently so that we may in time once more have a permanent opera here. For this reason, if for no other, these visits deserve every encouragement.

This particular performance of "Aida" was familiar in every way. The cast was as of yore, practically without exception, and the conceptions of the various roles were unchanged as well. Would that "Aida" could be forgotten for a few years and then revived by artists who had never even heard the music. New life might then be instilled into a somewhat overconventional performance.

**Progress Shown**

Yet last night the general ensemble was unusually spirited. This was in great part due to the conducting of Mr. Moranzoni. There was much fine singing and occasionally there were also fine bits of acting on the part of nearly everyone concerned. Mr. Marshall is hardly an impressive figure in the part of Ramfis, and his vocal conception of the part cannot be accepted without reserve. Madame Raisa's voice at times shows signs of wear, but Madame van Gordon and Mr. Formichi deserve unqualified praise for their singing and acting.

Chorus and ballet are excellent, too, and the stage management has been vastly improved and is now above criticism. The settings are unusually magnificent and oftentimes bring about real illusion. For once the incongruous stage band was kept in due restraint and the long trumpets were not ear-splitting and strident.

In short, the Chicago forces have made artistic progress during the past year, if last night's performance may be taken as a criterion, and their forthcoming appearances may be looked forward to with pleasurable anticipation.

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### "Meet the Wife"

Hollis Street Theater—"Meet the Wife," a comedy in three acts, by Lynn Starling. Staged by Bert French. Produced by Stewart and French. First time in Boston. The cast:

Gertrude Lennox.....Mary Boland  
Harvey Lennox.....Charles Dalton  
Doris Bellamy.....Patricia Calvert  
Victor Stanton.....Ralph Glover  
Gregory Brown.....John Maroney  
Philip Lord.....Ernest Lawford  
Alice.....Margaret Bryn  
William.....David Munro

An angelic sort of steam roller is Mrs. Gertrude Lennox. When she is invited the famous novelist, Philip Lord, to adorn a week-end literary soiree at her suburban house she is met with refusal; but as she explains in the first act, she had her way "after talking with Mr. Lord's agent about three hours." In vain does a second husband try to stem the flood of her babblings about this and that. Like Rosalind in "As You Like It," when she thinks she must speak, and Mrs. Lennox's train of thought runs on a high tension one-track line, with many startling switchbacks.

Any account of this performance must center around Mary Boland, who acts Mrs. Lennox with a volatility, a swiftness of stroke, a variety of expression and a sustained heat of steam that are astonishing. Never did she let down in a play that is long for a farce, and that keeps her almost constantly on the stage. With all Mrs. Lennox's devastating insistence upon regulating the affairs of everybody in the household, Miss Boland made her live up to her reputation for restless charm. Moreover, the play is designed so that all Mrs. Lennox's absences from the scene are accounted for as necessary for costume changes, so the evening proved a series of the lovely frocks Miss Boland wears so well.

Ernest Lawford acts with dry wit the first husband of Mrs. Lennox, who turns out to be the famous novelist under a name he assumed when he disappeared 10 years before. As the second husband Charles Dalton played the fool admirably to amuse doubly effective. Few actors make such good use of their play as he does. Nor can one forget the humorously eyebrows of Ralph Glover as the aesthetic Victor Stanton, to whom Mrs. Lennox all but manages to marry her daughter Doris. A large audience laughed heartily all the evening, and particularly enjoyed the vitality and point of Miss Boland's acting.

E. C. S.

### MARINE LIBRARY ASKS MASSACHUSETTS' AID

The American Merchant Marine Library Association, under the auspices of its Boston committee, is to make a state-wide collection of books early in February. The campaign will be launched with a talk by Rear Admiral William S. Sims, United States Navy, retired, next Thursday at 4:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. T. Morris Murray, 21 Marlborough Street.

Admiral Sims is to tell of his personal experiences with seamen during 40 years of service and the importance of having a library of well-selected books may have upon their happiness and success. The object of the association is to conduct a traveling library for seamen and the United States Coast Guard. Mrs. I. Tucker Burr of Boston will have charge of the collection.

### WOOD HEEL INDUSTRY GROWS IN HAVERHILL

HAVERHILL, Mass., Jan. 27 (Special).—Officials of the Shoe Manufacturers' Association and the Shoe Workers' Protective Union state that the wood heel industry in Haverhill is fast picking up. A 50 per cent increase in the volume of business over that done at the beginning of the year is reported. There are approximately 30 wood heel plants doing business in the city.

Haverhill shoe business in general this week will exceed that of the last six weeks, is the opinion, but the actual run of spring business has not started through the factories yet. Pattern shops are busy.

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### "Uncle Anyhow"

Copley Theater—"Uncle Anyhow," a comedy in three acts by Alfred Sutro, with the following cast: Reginald Claughton.....E. E. Clive  
Katherine Standing.....C. W. May Edies  
George Fardon.....Philip Tongue  
Lady Alex Floyer.....Elspeth Dudgeon  
Mr. Floyer.....Francis Compton  
Ellis Jane Floyer.....Lucy Currier  
Mrs. Peter.....Alan Mowbray

While "Uncle Anyhow" presented this week by the Copley Players is advertised as a comedy, it is something more than that. Cleverly conceived and excellently acted, this play, though affording the audience many a hearty laugh, drove home several points of homely philosophy. The action revolves around E. E. Clive, who as the ex-philosopher, "who has come into a little money and retired," infuses just enough of the farcical into his playing to render it delightful in every way. He is well supported by Katherine Standing, who makes a splendid elder sister and who, from start to finish, carries the audience along in friendly sympathy.

"Tiny" or Christine Fardon, the younger of the two daughters of the inventor, Richard Fardon, is presented convincingly by May Edies, who thus carries a somewhat difficult part with satisfaction. Her optimism is delightful and her enthusiasm contagious.

Lady Alex Floyer, the sharp-tongued, prospective mother-in-law of "Tiny," is played vigorously by Elspeth Dudgeon, and her poor husband, who is kept so completely under her thumb that "he cannot call his umbrella his own" is well portrayed by Francis Compton. The way in which Mr. Compton shows his real character in the last scene, when he has freed himself from Katherine Standing by the somewhat questionable expedient of selling out his household furniture, is most amusing.

C. Wordsley Hulse kept his acting nicely within the bounds of restrained emotion, while the smaller parts were all taken acceptably. Alan Mowbray, presenting the toy manufacturer, "whose ideal is the 'ring pig,'" though on the stage for only a short while, made the most of his opportunities.

E. C. S.

### BUTTER IN STORAGE EXCEEDS AVERAGE

Per capita quantities of food in storage in Massachusetts on Jan. 1, 1925, were: eggs, 2 pounds of poultry, 11.3 pounds of pork, 3 pounds of butter, 3/4 pounds of beef and 1-6 pound of lamb, according to Hermann C. Lythgoe, director of the food and drug division of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Holdings of poultry and butter are considerably above the average with pork below normal; while eggs, beef and lamb are approximately average.

The total quantities of these foods in storage were: eggs, 3,110,790 dozens; butter, 11,508,537 pounds; poultry, 11,437,910 pounds; beef, 2,851,200 pounds; pork, 5,235,130 pounds; lamb, 598,627 pounds.

### SENTENCE INCREASED SIXFOLD

In sentencing David Macleod of Lynn to a year and a half in the House of Correction for receiving a stolen automobile, Judge Frederick J. Macleod, in the Essex County Superior Criminal Court, yesterday held that a sentence of three months given Macleod in the Salem court for the same offense was illegal, the minimum sentence required by law being one year. Judge Macleod's action is viewed as a partial substantiation of the charges made by Frank A. Goodwin, registrar of motor vehicles, who wanted to know why a man with Macleod's record was being permitted to escape punishment. Judge Macleod refused a stay of sentence.

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### "The Lion and the Mouse"

St. James Theater—"The Lion and the Mouse," a drama in four acts, by Charles Klein. The cast: John Burkett Ryder.....Louis Leon Hall  
Jefferson Ryder.....Bernard Nedell  
Judge Rossmore.....Frederick Murray  
Ex-Judge Stott.....Roy Ekins  
Senator Roberts.....Ralph M. Bentley  
Rev. Pontifex Deale.....John Collier  
Hon. Fitzroy Bagley.....Houston Richards  
Shirley Rossmore.....Elsie Hitz  
Kate Roberts.....Roberta Lee Clark  
Mrs. Rossmore.....Anna Layne  
Jane Deale.....Olivia Blakeley  
Miss Nesbitt.....Marie Laloz

A drama long a favorite with American theater audiences, Charles Klein's "The Lion and the Mouse," is the week's offering by the Boston Stock Company. It is a sympathetic and capably directed revival, with little lacking for those who saw the touring companies in this play, except the faces and voices of those who once occupied the familiar leading roles. This is a somewhat serious handicap under which actors in stock labor. No matter how well or how acceptably they do their work, they are unable to reconstruct the atmosphere looked for by those in the audience who have learned to identify the scenes with the men and women who first presented them. A larger enjoyment awaits the new generation of theatergoers who have never seen this strong play.

Surely there was nothing to be desired in Mr. Hall's interpretation of the part of John Burkett Ryder. In voice and gesture, and in the interpretation of the role of the "Lion," he perhaps excelled anything he has previously done in Boston. Miss Hitz, as the "Mouse," was an acceptable foil, while Mr. Nedell, as Jefferson Ryder, lent sincerity and clever acting to his part.

The devotion of the members of this company to their work is commendable. Their first-night performances are by no means merely experimental. The work of preparation always seems to have been thoroughly done.

E. C. S.

### MRS. MAUD WOOD PARK IS AGAIN ON PLATFORM

PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 27 (Special).—Mrs. Maud Wood Park, who has been inactive for some time, and who has located permanently in Portland, is again taking the lecture platform. Mrs. Park has joined the Portland League of Women Voters, and is now starting a tour of it in this series at Bates College last night. She now plans to go to Massachusetts to speak before the colleges there. Her subject at Bates was "The Enrichment of Life Through the Power of the Vote." Mrs. Park is building a cottage on Cape Elizabeth.

### MR. DRAPER HEADS REPUBLICAN CLUB

Eben S. Draper, state Senator from Hopkdale, yesterday was elected president of the Republican Club of Massachusetts at its annual meeting. He succeeds George A. Rich, president of the club for the last four years.

Slater Washburn, from Worcester County, was elected secretary of the club. Governor Fuller and Lieutenant-Governor Frank G. Allen were guests and made short addresses.

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### B. F. Keith's

Robert Warwick, in a drama, "Bonds That Separate," heads the bill at B. F. Keith's this week. The success of the playlet is in no small part due to the capable work of Miss Mary Halliday, whose graceful acting and voice of carrying power help immeasurably in sustaining interest. Vera Lavrova, a concert singer, ranges from folk song to opera in her pleasant program; Stanell and Douglas introduce novelty and duets with the effect of quartets, in their violin playing; James J. Corbett and Jack Norton are humorously reminiscent; the Four Jansleys do remarkable tumbling feats; Ed. E. Ford, an Australian, relies upon facial expressions to raise a laugh; Fred Galletti and Lola Kokin; in the "Dance of the Wooden Soldiers," introduce performing monkeys; Lee Rose and Katherine Moon appear in a dancing act; while Ralph Lohse and Nan Sterling are seen in balancing and trapeze acts, in which considerable skill has been acquired.

### Boston Stage Notes

Douglas Fairbanks' fantastic picture play, "The Thief of Bagdad," is the feature this week at Loew's State Theater. In addition are news and comedy reels besides the music of organ and orchestra.

Continuing offerings at Boston theaters include "Be Yourself," musical comedy, with Jack Donohue and Queenie Smith, at the Tremont; Mr. and Mrs. Coburn at "The Wife Hunter," a comedy by Eden Phillips, at the Wilbur; and Wallace Eddinger in "The Haunted House," a farce by Owen Davis, at the Park.

Coming attractions at Boston theaters include "The Dark Angel," a new drama, with Patricia Collins, next Monday at the Wilbur; "Three Live Ghosts," comedy by F. S. Isham, next week, at the Copley; "In the Next Room," mystery play, next week, at the Selwyn; "Beggars on Horseback," Feb. 9, at the Wilbur; "Androcles and the Lion," Feb. 9, at the Copley; "The Misdemeanor," Feb. 9, at the St. James; Marilyn Miller in "Peer Fan," Feb. 18, at the Tremont; "I'll Say She Is," Feb. 16, at the Majestic.

E. C. S.

### WAKEFIELD TO PROTEST

Wakefield has set aside \$1000 for the retention of coal to protest against the proposed discontinuance of the Newburyport and Salem branches of the Boston & Maine railroad. This action was taken at a special town meeting last night. The stations in the town affected by the proposed abandonment are Wakefield Center, Montrose and Lowell Street.

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### POWER CONCERN SUE BY HOLYOKE MAYOR

City Claims Sale of Electricity for Light Is Illegal

HOLYOKE, Mass., Jan. 27 (Special).—Mayor John F. Cronin has filed in Superior Court a bill in equity against the Holyoke Water Power Company to the end of obtaining a decision respecting the sale of electricity by the Holyoke Water Power Company for lighting purposes.

It is alleged that the company is in illegal competition with the municipal gas and electrical department, in that a portion of the energy delivered by the company to William Skinner & Sons' manufacturing plant is converted into light, whereas an act of the Legislature provides that sales by the company shall be for power only.

Machinery for lighting, it has been stated, is a private installation of the Skinner concern, and it has been held that delivery as power by the generating company absolves it from any charge of violating the terms of the law, and an authoritative decision on that point is sought.

Another complaint brought by Mayor Cronin is that the law is being violated in the sale of energy in quantities less than 100 horsepower.

### JUSSERANDS LEAVE BOSTON

J. Jules Jusserand, the retiring French Ambassador to the United States, and Mme. Jusserand, left Boston today for New York, from which city they will sail tomorrow for France. They were the guests of honor last night at a dinner given by Justice William Caleb Loring at his home in Gloucester Street. There were 14 guests, mostly friends of the Ambassador and Mme. Jusserand, who was Miss Elsie Richards of Boston. Bishop Charles L. Slatery was present.

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## CINCINNATI HAS FEW NEWCOMERS

## Some Important Trades May Be Completed Soon to Bolster Weak Spots

CINCINNATI, Jan. 27 (AP)—The Cincinnati National League Baseball Club represents an uncertain quantity in the 1925 national league pennant dash, but if the club's new manager, Fred Clarke, and his pitching staff are eliminated, the club promises to be a prominent factor in the race.

During the winter period for the Reds has been practically devoid of trades which might have strengthened the team in all its positions. Furthermore there is no word of any trades which would be a deal which would add to the fielding and hitting average of the team, although a trade of some sort may be made at the opening of the spring training season.

The club has purchased a few minor-league players during the winter and some are expected to show ability, but the usual other teams to bid for them. The brightest star to drop into the Red lineup during the off season was Charles Dressen, star infielder of the Cincinnati Reds.

R. B. Bressler, utility outfielder, will play first base for the Reds. Bressler, 27, is a former minor-league star, but retaining a stipulation that he cannot be sold, or traded during the coming season, started with the club as a pitcher. Last season he substituted for J. E. Daubert.

H. M. Crif, second baseman, will play at that position, unless ousted by recruits. Ralph Pinelli will remain at third. The shortstop position has several candidates, including the veteran, who is expected to remain in the season's regular; Chester Fowler and Harry Toppel.

Two players represent the uncertainty of the future. Left fielder, Al

re of more or less unknown quantity, but Manager J. C. Hendricks is hopeful of getting one or two regulars from the group, which includes Lineman, University of Cincinnati product; Edmon Montgomery, Michael Collins and James Cleveland minor league sluggers, and Pedro Dibat, a Cuban, who displayed great brilliance in a brief trial with the Reds at the close of last season.

Adolfo Luque, the Cuban veteran, had a bad season in 1924, while Peter Donohue also was a disappointment, but Hendricks is confident they will come back this season. The other

Regulars holding over for the box are C. W. Mays, E. J. Rixey, F. J. May, J. C. Benton and T. C. Sheehan. The catching department remains intact. E. F. Hargrave, I. B. Wingo and J. L. Blott, University of Michigan catcher, compose it. Of the three Hargrave is best. Blott probably will get a good chance to develop this season on the sidelines with his two seniors doing the bulk of regular work.

The outfield has the redoubtable E. J. Roush in centerfield, under a

three-year contract. Curtis Walker covers left field and Elmer Smith, former American Leaguer, late with Louisville, and William Zutmann, an International Leaguer, will have it out for right field.

The spring schedule is devoid of been scheduled for the spring season. The players. Plenty of games have been scheduled for the spring season. The club's training site is Orlando.

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## Expenses of Egyptian Public Works Defrayed Out of Revenue

A Gigantic Failure Before British Control, the Nile Barrage Has Raised Water Level From 3 Feet to 17, to Great Advantage of Tillers of Soil

This is the second of a series of four articles showing the evolution of modern Egypt during the period it has been under British control. The first appeared in The Christian Science Monitor on Jan. 26.

**Special from Monitor Bureau**  
LONDON, Jan. 26.—Expenditure on public works in Egypt during the 40 years of the British occupation was made almost entirely out of revenue. The first step taken under British auspices was to repair the Nile barrage near Cairo—a grandiose project begun over half a century earlier. Only finished in 1861, it had been condemned as a gigantic failure until the British engineers took it in hand in 1884. They were almost immediately able to raise the head of water held up by the barrage from three feet to 10 feet, and during the next six years they gave it new foundations, cleaned out and remodeled two canals which had never functioned, so that by 1891 there were three canals in full operation carrying water to the fields of the Delta, instead of the one that was in partial operation when the British took charge.

During the next 10 years subsidiary works were built, giving with the main barrage a total head of water of over 17 feet. Later still another Delta barrage was built lower down the Nile. Not only was the area available for cultivation in the Delta vastly increased by these barrages but the crops have been made less liable to suffer from drought in seasons when the Nile flood is low.

The great Assuan dam was the next important irrigation project undertaken. This mighty work provides a head of water of 65 feet, thus creating a lake some 200 miles long up the Nile Valley, and supplies the fields of Upper Egypt with about 3,500,000 cubic feet of water, most of which would otherwise merely flow unused down to the sea.

**London Company Supplies Cash**  
Before this gigantic task could be undertaken a scheme had to be evolved by Lord Cromer and his coadjutors to circumvent the international treaties which controlled Egypt's finances, and prevented the £2,000,000 needed for this dam from being raised out of revenue or by fresh borrowing. Ultimately the difficulty was got over by forming a company in London to advance the money to the contractors, the company being reimbursed by Egyptian Government promissory notes to pay 50 half-yearly installments of £78,613.

These installments were covered many times over by the direct revenue according to the Egyptian Government, may be seen from the fact that the Government is not entitled to levy a tax on the cultivator unless the Nile flood has actually flowed over the land. Land irrigated by raising the water by hand pumps and water wheels—the time-honored practice to this day near the Nile banks where the lands are too high to be served by canals—does not involve payment of this tax.

These major irrigation works necessitated many subsidiary works. Innumerable miles of new supply canals and new drainage channels have been dug; bridges have been built and special high level canals constructed to supply the needs of the country when the Nile flood is small.

**Waste Land Reclaimed**  
Waste land has been reclaimed partly by private land companies and partly by direct government enterprise. Formerly there was much of this land, especially in the Fayum where the rose water comes from, and in the Delta near the sea. The reclaimed areas are sold or rented to the fellahs. In 1920, the Government collected some £200,000 in rents from lands which not long ago were derelict. The sales of reclaimed Government land in that year alone amounted to some 42,000 acres.

When the British took control in Egypt in 1882 the cultivable area was about 4,500,000 acres, of which only 3,500,000 were actually cultivated. By 1919, however, the actual area under cultivation stood at over 5,000,000 acres, since which time it has been slightly increased. This figure is now capable of extension by a further 2,000,000 acres when the necessary appliances and facilities for water storage and irrigation have been provided.

At the time of the British occupation, the whole country was parcelled out in large estates, many of them in the hands of the Khedive himself—or pledged to his foreign creditors. In 1921, there were nearly 2,000,000 native proprietors holding between them just over 5,000,000 acres. The remaining 500,000 acres are owned by Europeans. As there are still a number of estates which run for thousands of acres, it will be seen that there must also be very many holdings of not more than one or two acres apiece.

Before the British came, the Egyptian peasant was a serf who no rights in the land whatever and no incentive to do his duty by it, for he got nothing out of it but a bare subsistence. By the early days of the present century, however, it was no uncommon thing for a poorly clad peasant when turned out of his mud hovels because he could no longer find money to pay his rent, to go to a

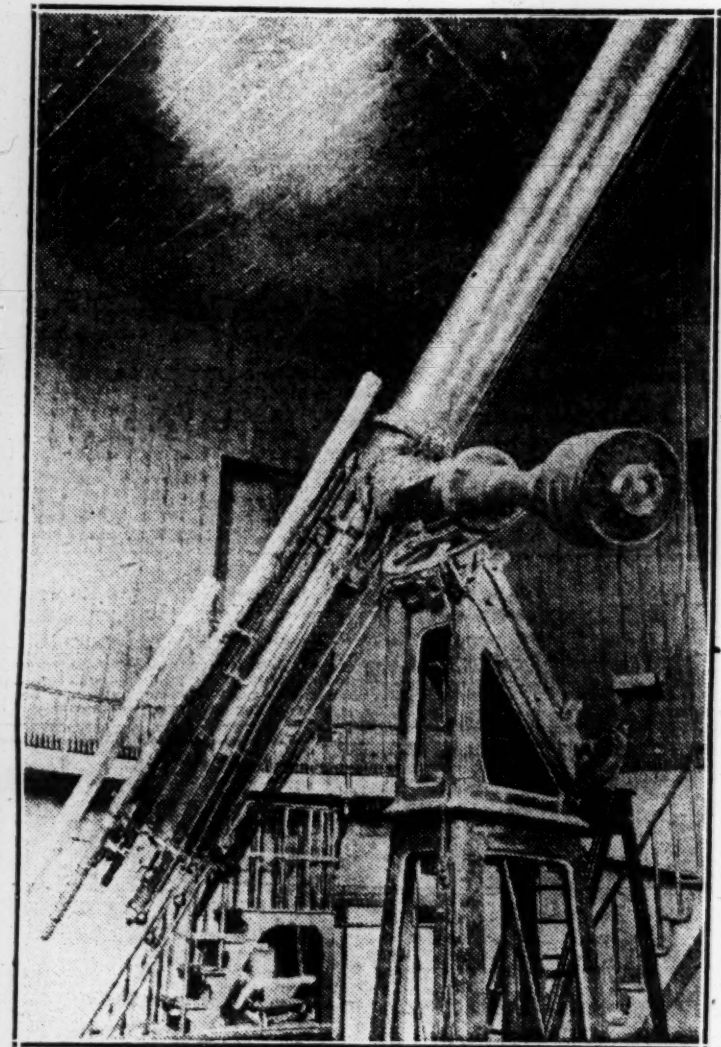
corner, dig up a bag full of sovereigns, and walk out to seek a new home with his family, the female members of which would often be wearing gold and silver bangles and other ornaments of considerable value.

### LEAGUE SETTLES POLAND-DANZIG TARIFF ISSUES

DANZIG, Jan. 3 (Special Correspondence).—The League of Nations Commissioner has made the following decisions on the export duties question:

1. The Polish Tariff Act of July 31, 1924, is valid for the territory of the Free City of Danzig.
2. An agreement between Danzig and Poland shall be concluded to govern the application of the export tariff to products from Danzig's own industry, agriculture and craftsman-ship.
3. Until the agreement be signed,

### The Telescope Grows Larger



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The Free City shall bring before the Polish Government all cases where the tariff of July 31, 1924, or the regulations originating thereof, have had the effect of prohibiting exports from the Free City's own industry, agriculture and handicrafts; cases in which the Polish Government is to give a quick decision. The latter is also to take the necessary measures to release these products from the effects of the Act of July 31, 1924, and the regulations resulting therefrom. In regard to other trade in Danzig, the Polish Government is to give Danzig firms the same facilities as Polish firms enjoy under similar circumstances.

### PROHIBITION PROFITS IOWA ATTORNEY SAYS

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 13 (Special Correspondence).—Increased prosperity and a higher moral standard have been brought to Iowa under national prohibition, and the trend of

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public opinion is steadily toward individual observance of the Volstead Act, Stanton S. Paville, Assistant Attorney-General, has advised the congressional committee on the alcohol liquor traffic in response to a questionnaire sent to every state.

"A closer compact between federal, state and county authorities is the most essential element at this time," Mr. Paville believes. Organization of a state-wide campaign in Iowa, recognizing all enforcing bodies of equal rank, has been an important step toward enforcement, he says. Out of 800 prosecutions for liquor law violations, he adds, there have been 600 convictions.

## New University of Florence Will Aid Arcetri Observatory

Prof. Giorgio Abetti Works on Solar-Physics and the Spectro-Scope of the Stars

**Special Correspondence**  
Florence  
THE observatory of Arcetri is of the greatest interest because of its association with the name of Galileo who spent the last years of his life on this hill near Florence.

### Modern and Ancient Center of Italian Astronomy



The Observatory at Arcetri Today, Showing Galileo's Tower on the Right and the Town of Florence in the Distance on the Left.

The director, Prof. Giorgio Abetti, took part in the 1913-1914 De Filippi expedition to the Himalayas and, in the last years of the war, was attached to a military mission to the United States. Galileo's telescope was lent to the observatory by the Museum of Ancient Instruments on the occasion of Prof. George E. Hale's last visit to Florence and, on a summer night, when all the sky was stars above and below us—the observatory is on a high hill—I looked through the lens by which Galileo had seen the moon for the first time with his high mountains and vast craters.

But it was on a cold, windy morning in December that I again climbed the hill to talk with Professor Abetti for The Christian Science Monitor, and though the wonder of the place is great on a summer night it is greater still on a clear winter day when the color of the land is dotted with ancient villas. The strong green of cypresses makes the hills and valleys, seen from Arcetri, an unforgettable sight. When Professor Abetti met me, we walked at once to the solar tower that has been built recently in the grounds of the observatory.

**In Collaboration With America**  
"This is similar to the tower at Mount Wilson, with which observatory, and others all over the world, we are in continual collaboration for the study of solar physics," said Professor Abetti, as we stood looking up at the tower.

I asked, "This is your special study, is it not?"  
"Yes, solar-physics, and spectroscopy of the stars. I have spent some time in the United States and have had the good fortune to see for myself the great progress made there during the last years in these branches of study. And it is owing to the friendships that I made during my visit, helped in this also by my American colleagues, that I have had the facility and possibility of building this tower. I can now only hope that further means will permit of my being able to complete it with all the modern instruments that are necessary, not only to arrive at something useful, but also to

establish a living monument, so to say, to the memory of Galileo who, not far from here, started the study of the sun-spots and of astrophysics. It has always been a great pleasure to me to notice that the American Nation, practical as it is,

understood from the beginning of its development the importance of the educative value of this work, giving money generously wherever the subject is being studied. With this money and able men, who have given all their energies to the great problem of the universe, there has also been founded in the United States the largest institution in the world furnished with the most modern and valuable equipment."

**Galileo's Instrument**  
When we walked toward the observatory building, talking of Galileo, Professor Abetti reminded me that Milton, who had met Galileo at the house called "Il Gioiello," a few steps from here, made many allusions to him—the only living person of his time, mentioned in "Paradise Lost." A moment later, when we stood in the room with the revolving ceiling, Professor Abetti also reminded me of the night when I had looked through Galileo's telescope, and explained why it had been placed there. "It was of great interest to Professor Hale and myself to compare that instrument with a modern one, because we could refer to the first step that led to a great progress in astronomy. The second step of great importance was the study of the dispersion of light in the spectrum, noted by Newton, which brought the development of astrophysics and of many discoveries which have more and more united physics and astronomy."

"Looking through the old instruments, we realize the advance made in the technical progress toward an explanation of the shape of the universe and the unity of its marvelous constitution. Galileo saw, in 1610, Jupiter and its satellites, in the telescope you found here, only as a small irregular disk surrounded by four little dots (the Planets Mercuri, so called after the Medici family) which he at first thought to be fixed

stars. However, he soon noticed that they were small moons belonging to the planet. Comparing this with what we see in the modern 15-inch telescope near by, there is a very great difference in the planet, with its various colored bands, and with the four moons clear to the sight. Saturn, through Galileo's telescope, is like an elongated disk with two handles, just as Galileo describes in his famous book, but through this modern telescope we can plainly see the well-known rings. Galileo's genius allowed him to divine more than his telescope actually showed."

Professor Abetti unlocked a case of delicate instruments as he finished speaking—always in English—and I could see with what enthusiastic devotion he cared for everything belonging to the building—shipshape in its spick and span order.

### Future Development

"You must have great hope in the future of your observatory," I hazarded.

"Indeed I have. For now with the help of the new University of Florence, founded on the ancient Institute of Superior Studies which started at the time of Dante, we hope further to develop the Arcetri Observatory, especially in astrophysics. Astronomy is particularly interesting now because it studies the constitution of matter and the evolution of the almost infinite and amazing, large and distant bodies which compose, with a marvelous and well-directed order, the universe."

### MODEL HIGHWAY SECTION OPENED IN HUNAN, CHINA

SHANGHAI, Dec. 17 (Special Correspondence).—The first section of what is described by road engineers as the best piece of highway construction in China has been opened in the Province of Hunan, where a plan has been undertaken to construct a road between Sianktan and Peking, a distance of 100 miles and one of the most ambitious road projects in the country.

The idea was mooted as long ago as 1921, and with the co-operation of the Chinese Foreign Famine Relief Committee, the Hunan Government and a provincial road bureau, formed by merchants, work has progressed so far as to allow one stretch between Sianktan and Sianstin, 26 miles in length, to be opened. The road is 21 feet wide, and as it follows the course of an old native road, which is the most traveled in the Province, on its completion it will top one of the richest sections of territory in China.

Gen. Yen Kai-hsiang, a leading military man, is prominently identified with the work and himself agreed to advance \$150,000 to build 30 miles of the road, and also finance a motor service. The Sianktan-Peking road will serve as the basis of a very comprehensive plan which will find work for thousands.

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## ENDLESS CAVERN'S END AGAIN ELUDES EXPLORING PARTY

New Expedition in Three-Day Subterranean Tour Finds Curious Formations

**Special from Monitor Bureau**  
NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Members of the expedition organized by Henry Collins Walsh, founder of the Explorers' Club, have returned from Newmarket, Va., where they penetrated Endless Cavern more than three-quarters of a mile farther than it ever has been explored before, but failed to find the end.

Carveth Wells, a member of the party which represented the American Museum of Natural History as well as the club, said that the three-day tour of the subterranean formation revealed, in the light of candles and magnesium flares, vast chambers, crags, pits and natural columns as transparent as glass. There were also curious bats, white moths and long white mossy growths which, he said, hung like beards from the dry stalactites.

Mr. Wells was accompanied by other members of the Explorers' Club, George K. Cherris, companion of Theodore Roosevelt in the discovery of "the River of Doubt" in South America; Donald Rhetan of Richmond, Va.; Dr. C. A. Reeds, geologist of the American Museum of Natural History, and a news reel photographer.

### CANADIAN AID FOR GREECE

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 29 (Special Correspondence).—The need of thousands of Greek refugee children has prompted the continuation of the "Save the Children Fund" campaign to be carried on here until the spring at least. The decision was made following the presentation of urgent appeals from Dr. W. A. Kennedy, the administrator of the fund—which is an all-British appeal—in Greece.

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# Women's Enterprises, Fashions and Activities

## Apartments for Professional People

New York  
Special from Monitor Bureau

ARE New Yorkers naturally nomadic, or will they buy apartments and settle down permanently in one neighborhood if the opportunity is offered? This is the question which a little group of artists and writers is seeking to answer through an interesting experiment in co-operative housing.

Within the next few weeks ground will be broken for a house to contain 25 apartments, 14 of which already have been sold, and the promoters of the project hope that this is the first of a series of similar ventures.

This apartment house has a foundation of statistics, the publisher Miss Alice Boughton who originated the scheme. Miss Boughton has been ringing the doorbell of "Mrs. New York" for five years, asking what she calls "impertinent questions" for one of the best-known advertising agencies in the city. This agency has among its clients numerous manufacturers who have an insatiable appetite for the opinions of the public. And so Miss Boughton has been asking large, when they wash their own clothes, if they find that certain colors fade, or that certain cuts of garments are undesirable. And from this information manufacturers have changed their designs, the texture of materials and the dyes used.

Even if you don't get into many of the apartments whose doorbells you ring, you are bound to gather considerable information on housing in such an occupation, and added to those "casual facts" Miss Boughton has assembled answers directly bearing on apartment ownership, type of apartments desired, and the willingness of tenants to become owners.

### Driven From Homes

Around her in the business district every day she has seen men and women traveling from a considerable distance owing to the high rent values bordering on the desirable downtown sections, and a number of people obliged to forgo their own apartments because of the inconveniences involved in adjusting business responsibilities and home cares. "Professional and office people are between two deeps," says Miss Boughton. "Philanthropic organizations look after the poor and the rich can live as they like, but for us mounting rents and men who deliver only at hours when we are absent, and garbage collectors who neglect our needs, constitute great difficulties."

The result of these observations is the block of property purchased at 229-235 East Forty-Fifth Street, within 10 minutes' walk of the Grand Central Terminal. When business men pointed out that the neighbor-

hood did not offer great inducements to the kind of people who were expected to purchase apartments there, Miss Boughton said, "But we are the type of people who raise the value of property," and so within the few months since title was taken the new owners have seen nearly \$1,000,000 worth of rebuilding planned in that immediate section.

### Arranged For Women Workers

When builders objected to certain expensive features such as central incinerator and a refrigeration plant and the "Park Avenue kind of materials," Miss Boughton countered with, "We need it more than Park Avenue for we cannot be redecorating and replacing shoddy material, nor have we servants to look after ice and garbage. We have no money for brass buttons but we have all that we need for other features which will save us effort and money in the long run."

"Fireplaces, storage space, outside windows and plenty of floor plugs for light," were the demands of the people who had done without what

they wanted in rented apartments. So every room in the new house is to have outside window light, every apartment has a fireplace, five closets, and plenty of plugs.

There will be a roof garden with awnings and water and electric connections so that light refreshments can be served there.

The apartments range from \$400 to \$10,000 and since the pay-as-you-go policy is considered cheapest in the long run by the promoters, the purchase money will be paid during construction leaving the owners after next October only with the carrying charge of \$20 a room a month.

Among the apartment owners are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Prellwitz, both artists; Mrs. Annie Taylor, research editor for Thomas Nelson; Mr. and Mrs. William G. Macdowell; Mrs. Lucy Fletcher Brown, lecturer on Oriental art and collector of Japanese prints; Mrs. Amalie B. Brady, interior decorator; Miss Mary Stroud, book-binder; Miss Harriet Jones of Good Housekeeping Institute; Miss Boughton, and H. C. Poenstlinger, architect and construction engineer.

## Winter Sports Clothes in England

London  
Special Correspondence

CLOTHES both for winter sports and sports generally are in demand at the moment, and the writer was reminded recently, when asked by the representatives of a well-known French couturière where to obtain sports things, that England is looked upon more and more as the producer of the most practical clothes of this type.

The keen sportsman will first of all choose clothes that allow freedom of action, but this does not mean that styles need to be slovenly or lack distinction. Until recently knitted costumes were without question the most comfortable wear, but now the texture of the North country tweeds and homespuns is so soft that they rival very closely the knitted variety. A point strongly in favor of tweed costumes is that they keep their shape better.

Shown in the accompanying illustration is a sweater with tweed skirt and cape en train. The sweater is modeled on the popular style of the term.

The tones in the sweater appear also in the tweed, in which beige predominates. The cape is lined with beige duvetyn which makes it a comfortable, with a high collar about 4½ inches deep and is a cozy affair for cold days. High collars generally are the vogue this winter for many wears. These sweaters can be got in variegated colors in jaeger wool and hand-knitted ones may be obtained with a fancy cross-stitch

pattern worked in silk. The one illustrated is made in beige wool with a heather-mauve cross-stitch pattern for traveling. Some very smart tone effects are obtained with reversible tweeds, and this style is freely used. The skirt and cape in the illustration are treated in this way, bands of the dark reverse of the tweed being let in to form the



This Skirt and the Cape en Train Are Made of Tweed, Which, Because It Holds Its Shape, Is Preferred to Knitted Goods. Colors of the Sweater Are Repeated in the Mottle of the Beige-Colored Tweed, Whose Tone Is Made Yet More Interesting by Bandings of the Same Material Used on Its Reverse Side.

trimming. The cape is finished with a cozy collar of clipped wool. For real comfort a costume of this kind can hardly be excelled.

A coat that is popular and comes under the heading of a sports coat is entirely covered with cross-stitch in silk and wool. The designs in some cases are very elaborate, for the pattern may be worked in several colors of the eighteenth century. The coats are rather expensive, as they entail a great deal of labor. First a net-like foundation must be crocheted and then completely filled in with cross-stitch in silk and wool. Soft pastel shades are most used. Pastel shades are correct in most things for winter sports. Jumpers in pretty soft

and collar are a great advantage under a coat. Short suede leather coats are not really practical for country use as they are not suitable for sports wear. They have never been as popular in England as in the Continent, where they may be seen in a variety of bright colors.

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shades are right. The jazz affairs are no longer worn.

It is important that stockings should be carefully chosen to wear with short skirts. Silk and wool are the most comfortable. For skiing, if breeches are worn, puttees are necessary. Waterproof gloves are another requisite and those lined with lambswool are the best. For this sport, breeches and a long tunic coat to the knees in proof gaberdine have become almost a uniform.

In tweed costumes, lines continue straight and still maintain the boyish outline; there is a tendency to more fullness, but this is hidden away in inverted pleats. In place of the skirts that wrap in front, ones that wrap at the back have become more popular, and for sports wear double-breasted coats with pockets have largely taken the place of belted coats. The most popular tweeds for country wear are the Cumberland variety.

A new development of late years is the smart tweed coat, suitable for women who drive their own cars. Shower-proof Saxony tweeds are popular for this purpose and West-of-England covers. These are closely woven and proofing helps to make them more winter-proof. Proofed silk and wool lining can also be used to advantage.

Styles are severe in this type of wrap. Stitching is the chief form of decoration and scope is given for treatment of pocket effects. One model shows an inset strap about 3½ inches wide and about 6 inches long, with a pillar-box slit cut diagonally from corner to corner.

To wear with these coats on cold days a suede coat is useful, but it should be long enough and sufficiently wide to cover the knees. Those finished with knitted storm-cuffs

are in vogue. A wide, exotic touch, given by two hammered silver bracelets and heavy gold pendants that broke the full round contour of her face.

Her Initiative Made Her Valuable  
Some time ago, when Calles was head of the Obregon Cabinet, the writer used to give "Cholita" lessons in English literature, and she told some of the stories of her exciting days when she served General Calles during the revolution. When still a young girl, she was adopted by Francisco Madero, the Little Chief of the North, the dreamer who overthrew the mighty Diaz in 1911 and became President in turn. When Madero was assassinated in 1913, Cholita volunteered her services to Calles, who had raised a volunteer regiment in Sonora to aid Obregon and Carranza in restoring constitutionalism. She accompanied Calles through all his exciting campaigns in the northwest. Her connection with him as private secretary has been continuous. Her responsibilities rapidly increased. On occasions she even issued military orders. Once when Calles was getting much-needed sleep, a prominent officer came rushing in with a daring scheme to make a foray on the enemy.

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## Mexico's Most Prominent Woman, Senorita "Cholita" Gonzalez

THE new President of Mexico, Plutarco Elias Calles, is so far as is known, the only chief executive in the world who has a woman for his private secretary.

Senorita "Cholita" Gonzalez guards the inner approach to the offices of President Calles, there in the right wing of the massive national palace that faces the great central plaza of Mexico. "Cholita"—everyone knows her by this name—is a young woman, simple in her manners, gracious, keenly intelligent, and possessed of great tact in dealing with people. She has an unfailing instinct for sizing up those who come to pay their respects to General Calles. Her black eyes, apparently lazy, smoldering, nevertheless have a penetrating power, an ability to gain a swift impression of those who approach her. Though feminine and fond of flattery, she does not permit this to deflect her from her duties.

She has made two trips to the United States. Two years ago she came up with General Calles; recently she met him on his return from Europe.

"What impresses you most about New York?" the representative of The Christian Science Monitor asked her on the second occasion. We were sitting in her office in the Waldorf-Astoria.

"Everything!" she replied. "But particularly the orderliness of the traffic."

"And what do you like to do here best?"

She smiled, with a flash of white teeth. "What a foolish question! What would any woman like to do best in New York? I've been living on Fifth Avenue for the last three days, and have spent a fortune. Did you think I am so different from other women?"

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"But in those days of campaigning," she went on, "mine was not always a bed of roses. There were forced marches, days in the saddle without food or rest, long rides in box cars. There was no opportunity to appear at one's best—and that is terribly important for a woman. But

will remake Mexico. He will make a happy Mexico." There was no doubting her sincerity.

She has seen Calles come into his own. After a frightful struggle with poverty he became a school teacher in the Sonora copper-town of Cananea. Then the revolution gave him his chance. When he raised his volunteer regiment, Cholita followed him to the front.

rel with the president over labor policy. She went with Calles during the "Revindicating Revolution" when he again took the field in the northwest. Carranza was put out of commission; and when Calles was called to head the Cabinet of Obregon, Cholita was still his secretary. Today she is the foremost woman in Mexico, as well as one of the foremost feminists. And perhaps General Calles owes much of his rise to power to her constant and unflinching zeal, loyalty and keen intelligence.

Other Mexican Women  
Her exploit is all the more remarkable in a country that has never, to any great extent, permitted women in public life. The place of the Mexican woman is in the home. Once married, the Mexican woman becomes virtually a slave; she may not step outside the house without the permission of her master. Under such conditions only the bold and brave can rise and only a few women stand out in Mexican history.

During the Colonial days there was Juana Inez de la Cruz, the poet, whose writings are read wherever the Spanish tongue is spoken; a girl who clipped her hair and dressed up as a boy that she might attend the university and whose learning outdistanced that of the wisest men of her day.

The revolutionary period just closed has brought forward a number of women. The head of the feminist movement is Elena Torres, who has been in charge of providing breakfast for 19,000 school children. Esperanza Bringas is a writer, and poet who has been in inspector of the work of the "missionary teachers" (as the rural teachers who live with the Indians are called), and who has ridden horseback the length and breadth of Mexico, from Sonora to Yucatan, through the most remote and dangerous wilds.

Nevertheless the most prominent woman in Mexico today is the beloved "Cholita," who has surrounded Calles with wise advisers and loyal friends, and who has frequently softened the implacability of his enemies.

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## Music News and Reviews

Blue Boars and Red Lions. There is plenty of action, with the famous ride from London to York for the climax. Black Bess is superb and almost runs off with the show. It is a thoroughly entertaining picture. Fredric Fradkin wields the baton for the second week of his stay here, and, as usual, makes really beautiful music. R. F.

### Arthur Spear's Paintings

The name of Arthur Spear is a familiar one to Bostonians recalling as it does the delicate grace of young girls as nymphs, woodland

prites and other figures of fancy. He seems to catch the lyricism of youth expressed in utmost freedom of impulse and physical suppleness. These lithe, beautiful maidens sway gracefully in the winds, lending themselves to the tone of whatever atmosphere surrounds them.

Mr. Spear, conscious that he is weaving a delicate fabric of imaginative fancy, does not pretend to be realistic. He throws a golden exotic light on the figures, enveloping them in the flimsiest gossamers that float in the wind. Where the golden light

wanting, there is the mysterious crepuscular twilight. It is fitting that satyrs be included amongst his characters—goats and kids. One hunts for the unicorn. Lightness, airiness, ethereality, transparency are qualities that are easily achieved by this artist, who transports one out of the realistic, graver, harsher aspect of things.

***"The Glass Slipper"***

BUDAPEST, Dec. 20 (Special Correspondence)—Franz Molnar is responsible for one of the most successful plays of the theatrical season—"The Glass Slipper," produced at the Lustspiel Theater in Budapest. The play is a comedy in three acts.

Although this play has achieved an immediate success it is doubtful if it will enhance Molnar's already high reputation.

As may easily be imagined, "The Glass Slipper" is a variation of the old, well-worn Cinderella theme. But the action takes place in an atmosphere far from the fairy-tale one we all remember.

Lily Darvas, one of the most accomplished Hungarian actresses, played the rôle of Cinderella, bringing to the play an almost Barrie-like quality of feeling.

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radio set, and plenty of winter sports clothing and an hour's run will take a happy group into the heart of the snow-covered countryside. Perchance a little pond is found where the wind has kept the ice free of snow. And then! The radio set is put up, and in comes a nice waltz. Then the skaters may whirl and twist, and cut a hundred graceful figures to the music of an orchestra

## Radio Programs

**FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3**  
EASTERN STANDARD TIME  
KCA, La Presse, Montreal, Que. (422 Meters)

7:30 p. m.—Windsor dinner concert, directed by Harry Saker. 8:30—Studio Variety program; halcyon reports. 10:30—Windsor dance program, directed by Len Leonard.

**WEEI, Edison Electric Illuminating Company, Boston, Mass. (424 Meters)**  
6:20 p. m.—Boston Edison Big Brother Club. 7:30—Dok-Eisenberg and his Singing. 8:30—Program from New York studio. 9:—Everyday Hour. 10:—The Silver-town Orchestra.

**WBZ, Westinghouse Electric Company, Springfield, Mass. (357 Meters)**  
7:15 p. m.—Course in Poultry husbandry by Prof. William C. Monahan of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. 8:—World Market Survey from the Bureau of Commerce. 9:—Educational course in short story writing, lecturer in this course, Joseph D. Kelly, Ph.D., under the auspices of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Education. 10:—Hockey game from the Boston Arena, Boston Bruins vs. Ottawa. 10:55—Hotel Brunswick Orchestra.

**WGY, General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y. (350 Meters)**  
7:30 p. m.—Radio drama, "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," by Anne Crawford Flexner, presented by WGY Players. 8:—Brunswick Hour of Music. 9:—National Musical Memory Contest. 11:30—Organ recital by Stephen E. Boisclair.

**WYAT, American Telephone & Telegraph Company, New York City (402 Meters)**  
6 to 11 p. m.—Dinner music: Mabel Henderson, contralto, accompanied by Paul Haussler, Dorothy Hoyle, violinists; the Hank of America's weekly discussion of financial events; the Gold Standard "Everyday Hour"; the Silver-town Orchestra.

**WGNS, Gimbel Brothers, New York City (316 Meters)**  
9:30 to 12 p. m.—Variety musical program and talks, including dance music by the Vincent Rose orchestra.

**WJZ, Radio Corp. of America, New York City (316 Meters)**  
8 p. m.—"Learn a Word a Day." 8:01—NYU Art College. "Business Economics," Prof. Reid L. McClung. 8:25—Foster Post. 9:—Political Situation. 9:30—Political Situation. 10:—Political Situation. 10:30—Political Situation. 10:45—Political Situation. 11:—Political Situation. 11:30—Political Situation. 11:45—Political Situation. 12:—Political Situation.

**WJY, Radio Corp. of America, New York City (405 Meters)**  
7:30 p. m.—Savarin Ensemble. 8:15—The Cabbage Patch. 8:30—Foster Post. 9:—Political Situation. 9:30—Political Situation. 10:—Political Situation. 10:30—Political Situation. 10:45—Political Situation. 11:—Political Situation. 11:30—Political Situation. 11:45—Political Situation. 12:—Political Situation.

**WCAE, Kaufmann & Baer Co., Pittsburgh, Pa. (402 Meters)**  
8:30 p. m.—Pittsburgh recital by Stephen Suter. 9:—The "Everyday Hour." 10:—Concert by the Silver-town Orchestra.

**KDKA, Westinghouse Electric Co., East Pittsburgh, Pa. (550 Meters)**  
8:30 p. m.—Concert by the Helffenstein Trio, violin, cello and piano; Messrs. Kirtle, Begliffe, Helffenstein; and Mildred Holliday, soprano. 11:—Concert from the Pittsburgh studio.

**WGR, Federal Tel. Mfg. Co., Buffalo, N. Y. (319 Meters)**  
6 to 7:30 p. m.—Halliday String Quartet. 8:30—The "Everyday Hour." 10:—Silver-town Orchestra.

**WEAR, Goodyear Rubber Co., Cleveland, Ohio (412 Meters)**  
7:30 to 11 p. m.—Program arranged by the Cleveland News. Cartoon talk by Don Palmer. 8:30—The "Everyday Hour." 10:—Concert by the Silver-town Orchestra.

## Question Box

322. What do you think will make the best antenna, a copper or brass ribbon or copper or brass wire? What is the best length for a 3-tube homebrew set? Will having a lead-in of 55 feet at least. How much antenna must I have on a roof 40 feet wide with the antenna running west to east? Lead-in on east end? L. K. New York City.

A good piece of copper wire will give you a very satisfactory antenna. With a 55-foot lead-in from 40 to 50 feet top on your antenna should prove long enough. A 40-foot antenna would fit your roof dimensions so that with your lead-in you would have 55 feet of antenna.

## MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE HAS NEW PRESIDENT

JACKSON, Miss., Jan. 23.—The board of trustees of the state colleges met recently at the office of Gov. Henry L. Whitfield, accepted the resignation of Dr. D. C. Hull, president of the Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College, and elected Dr. B. M. Walker, vice-president for several years, as his successor. Dr. Hull, retired on July 1.

Dr. Walker was a member of the first class graduated at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, and has been connected with the institution since 1883 as professor of mathematics and also vice-president.

## WOMAN SEEKS RE-ELECTION

LANSING, Mich., Jan. 23 (Special Correspondence).—Mrs. Dora H. Stockman, the first woman ever elected to a state office in Michigan, has announced her candidacy for re-election to the State Board of Agriculture in behalf of farm women of the State for years. She has been elected to the Michigan State Grange since 1914, and has participated in many state-wide and national movements for the betterment of agriculture as a business and for the elevation of the farm home.

## PACIFIC STANDARD TIME

KFOA, Rhodes, Dep's, Store, Seattle, Wash. (443 Meters)  
8:30 to 11 p. m.—Times program of dance music.

KGO, General Elec. Co., Oakland, Calif. (300 Meters)  
8 p. m.—Solos Minstrels, directed by Arthur C. Toff, San Francisco; Specialties: Fred von Elm, violinist; Fred von Elm, pianist; J. P. Hauser, male soloist; Lou Sutter, female soloist; "Bill" Brandt, "The Old Time Minstrel Follies," from WKC, Washington.

KFO, Halcyon, Brother, San Francisco, Calif. (423 Meters)  
7 p. m.—Rudy Selger's Fairmont orchestra. 8:—Woodrow Wilson memorial program; address by ex-Senator James Phelan. 8:30—Program by the Oakland Music Club.

KJL, Times-Mirror, Los Angeles, Calif. (305 Meters)  
6 p. m.—Art Hickman's concert orchestra. 8:30—W. L. Hertog's orchestra. 10:—Art Hickman's dance orchestra.

## WISCONSIN WOMEN ASK ROAD SIGN REGULATION

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 21 (Special Correspondence).—Efforts by members of Wisconsin women clubs and civic organizations toward regulation of billboard advertising will be concentrated during the present session of the Legislature upon a bill giving the State Highway Commission power to remove all advertising signs between fences on state highways.

A committee was named to confer with John J. Blaine, Governor, and leaders of the Legislature in advancing the bill for elimination of signs along highways. A similar measure passed by the state Senate in the 1923 session, was lost in the Assembly. Mrs. A. C. Neville, Green Bay, former president of the State Federation of Women's Clubs and now chairman of its outdoor art and billboard committee, will co-operate with the committee.

## SCHOOL VACCINE ORDER LIFTED IN MINNEAPOLIS

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 26 (Special Correspondence).—Failure of Minneapolis health authorities and the school board to take similar action is given by local officials as the reason for their decision not to enforce an order excluding unvaccinated teachers, other employees and pupils from the public schools.

## Flonzaley's Radio Debut

NEW YORK, Jan. 27 (Special).—Budding musicians may find inspiration in the account of the work and pains taken to perfect the Flonzaley Quartet, which will make its radio debut in the next Victor radio recital, Jan. 29, which will be broadcast from WEA, New York, and relayed by telephone lines to stations in Washington, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Buffalo, Boston, Providence, and Worcester.

To obtain a perfect ensemble and the unity and that homogeneity necessary to make their music worthwhile, the originators of the Flonzaley Quartet, 21 years ago, set themselves a Herculean task of work and study. One of the major problems was to get four men who had similar training, and had also very similar musical ideas. These had to be those rarities among musicians, artists of concert caliber who were willing to efface themselves and their individuality for the good of the quartet.

Problem of Strings  
Even then, they had an enormous—almost impossible—task to arrive at the perfection they now have achieved. The mechanical and acoustical problems were numerous and difficult. In the matter of strings, for instance: After much experimenting the playing of four strings was now achieved. The strings, the best that came from England, damp weather affects the English "E" string and the players have found that under such conditions they must substitute a string of steel in the "E" position.

Turning of Pages  
In the matter of music, they are very particular, and to avoid turning pages in pianissimo passages or during rests which are not short to long doing this quickly, the violinist has the parts so arranged that the pages may be turned deliberately and without ostentation. This entails cutting and repasting and copying the pages.

Of course, they must constantly practice, and for several months each year they go to an old farmhouse in the Swiss Alps and do nothing else. This is a period of intensive work. They resort to all manner of tricks and devices in order to obtain perfect harmony. One daily custom is for three to play, while the fourth one goes to another room to listen. This is because the musician cannot detect faults as easily in the same room with the instruments.

Now that they have achieved such perfect unity of interpretation every precaution is taken to keep it. Each player is bound by contract not to appear at any time solo work, or to teach, or engage in any musical activity that would tend to individualize his playing.

## TITLED RADIO WORKERS

NEW YORK, Jan. 27 (Special).—An Italian canon, an Austrian duke, a Russian admiral—these are some of the men who may have worked to produce the radio receiving set on which you are listening, along with trained American engineers and craftsmen. Nearly 800 men are employed for several months, plans to visit the factory in Brooklyn, and the Eisenmann factory in Brooklyn, and a chance remark lead to the discovery that among this number were many with European titles.

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## EDITORIALS

Word comes from Manila that the American authorities are about to open a broad investigation of the Philippine school system. Dr. Paul Monroe of the Teachers' College, Columbia University, who made the educational survey of the islands fifteen years ago, is at the head of the commission, the other

### Education and the Orient

members being Dr. Henry Suzzallo, president of the University of Washington, and Dr. Taver of Manila. Financing, the language used in teaching, administrative methods, rural education—everything is to be considered which may promise to widen and make more efficient the school machinery in the archipelago. All of which is fine, though more which is finer is written between the lines. Here is clear implication that Washington proposes to follow the sole path sure to reach (at long last, perhaps) a satisfactory solution of that most troublesome of today's problems: The West in the East.

It seems but yesterday that there was general acceptance of that "white man's burden" theory: that Occidental states should guide and guard Oriental peoples. To pretty much all the world such a condition was held as if static. That now it is emphatically dynamic is threateningly obvious. From Fez to Cairo, from Damascus to Delhi, and so ever eastward through China, the Malay States and the isles of the Pacific, the quondam magic of Western rule and influence is fading. Dramatically often, tragically now and then, restlessly always, the white nations are so increasingly opposed in their self-assumed overlords that what is a serious situation in almost any of its many parts is, in its menacing entirety, to be seen only as one of the most uncertain riddles which our twentieth century days are called on to answer.

If the present views all this with gravity, it need not do so with surprise: it was a foregone conclusion. What was true a dozen years ago, was true because of a prevailing condition. The West changed that condition—and what was true is so no longer. When the West went into the East, it began its work by improving the physical welfare of its wards, and education was laid as foundation to every effort. With this, self-consciousness came into being, and as political experience was added self-consciousness took on the color of nationalism. Then came the Great War to prove the West anything but invincible and to bring to eager Eastern ears the West-enunciated doctrine of self-determination. What else could have happened than what has happened? It was more than merely logical; it was inescapable. Nationalism, whether Indian, Egyptian or Philippine, is not the product of intolerable servitude, created by the suzerain power, but of improved conditions. It has been born not from exploitation of the subject races, but from their uplifting. Everywhere white rule has mightily fostered education, and it is the newly educated who are loudest in the call for independence.

Egypt has just been exhibiting the danger of acceding prematurely to such petitions, either because that yielding seems the easy thing or because it seems the splendid thing, proposed by high ideals. A people, as an individual, may attain even brilliantly to a beginning of worldly wisdom and yet not have progressed far enough to be held "practically" informed. A nation, as some sophomore, may feel wholly convinced of complete ability to meet and master whatever conditions may arise and yet be dangerously far removed from knowing enough to walk safely alone in the jostling thoroughfares of a selfish world.

The Eastern Young-Man-in-a-Hurry has accomplished much, and for this let him be highly praised. He is very, very sure he should forthwith be graduated, but, for his own good as well as for that of the round world, he must follow classroom labors a time longer. One emerges permanently from the awkward age only by learning something better than its well-meant but insufficient efforts. The achievement of this is almost as difficult a task as this generation could be called on to perform. It will be won by a courage at once cautious and assured, combined with a tireless tact and a vast patience. And the one tool to be used in the process is education.

The United States has done a great work in the Philippines. Mistakes have been made, but they have been discovered and largely corrected before determinative damage has followed. In no one detail of all this has more been accomplished than in bringing modern schooling to the eighty-seven ethnographic groups which fill the islands with as many languages or dialects. It is precisely this not-less-than-magnificent labor which must be carried on and on and on, that the day may dawn both the sooner and more safely when a grant of unqualified independence shall perfect America's promise of it.

Quite as a matter of course, with the possibility that a reorganization of the prohibition enforcement unit will be undertaken by the Administration in Washington, comes fresh hope among the enemies of prohibition that the occasion is auspicious for the renewal of efforts to induce Congress to amend the law. What is called a "formidable" movement in this behalf has been launched by the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment. This new attack is sponsored by what is known as "The Committee of Fifty," which seems to be a select group made up of persons from many American cities who are supposed to be able to exert, in Congress and in their several

communities, particularly strong pressure in creating public sentiment against the law and against its impartial enforcement.

The somewhat startling announcement is made by the parent organization that "no such important committee to deal with so grave a crisis has been formed since the Declaration of Independence was signed by a similar committee of representative citizens and statesmen in 1776." If that were true, then surely the American people should rise in support of the cause these self-styled patriots represent. But it is not true, as even those most active in its defense know full well. The appeal is to ignorance and selfishness and the baser impulses of human nature. Was ever the cause of freedom and liberty so basely maligned and traduced?

The appeal is misdirected because it is sought, as an excuse for it, to make it appear that the grave situation which is claimed to exist is caused by the enforcement of the prohibition law. It is the lack of absolute or practical enforcement that has caused all the trouble about which the enemies of the law complain. Conditions a hundred times more serious existed before the enactment of the present law, and conditions far more terrible than those described would return with the reopening of saloon and brewery doors.

None but those who have persistently opposed enforcement regard the present crisis, if such it may be called, as one in which human liberty is at stake. That issue, if it has been presented in America since 1776, was settled when the people, by practically unanimous action of the several states, ratified the Eighteenth Amendment and doomed the saloon to oblivion. These same agitators have always branded prohibition as a menace. The decision that present laws are "impractical, unnecessarily severe, and bad in their essence," has not just been reached. Those who pretend to believe this now have been shouting the same propaganda for four years or more. They are not fresh converts to some new cause. They have rung the changes on this cry since the day they realized that the cause of the saloon had been lost.

It is a foregone conclusion that if the prohibition unit is reorganized, whatever changes are made will be for the purpose of strengthening, rather than weakening it. Rumor in Washington connects the name of Senator Thomas Sterling of South Dakota with the office now held by Commissioner Roy A. Haynes. Senator Sterling has been a leader of the prohibition forces in Congress. He is neither a modificationist nor a nullificationist. His appointment would be acceptable, it is said, to the Anti-Saloon League. It goes without saying, this being the case, that it would not be equally acceptable to the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, or to that organization's select "Committee of Fifty." Perhaps after all it will not be found advisable to write that new declaration of independence.

How is it possible that after a "republican" victory at the polls, Germany is likely to have a "monarchist" government? Nominally, the Cabinet list issued by the Finance Minister, Hans Luther, himself a former imperial officeholder, is not drawn up against the Republic and in favor of a restoration, but actually a majority of its members, including the most important, are considered as royalists, rather than adherents of the Weimar Constitution. And yet in the December election the Social-Democrats won the greatest number of seats and are today the largest group in the Reichstag.

The situation is not so discouraging to the Republic as it appears. It has come about because no government could be formed without the inclusion of either the Nationalists or the Socialists. A pure Center Government was no longer possible, and the fact that the Center parties, the Democrats and the Roman Catholic Centrum, which has both a conservative wing under Stegerwald and a liberal one under Premier Joseph Wirth, as well as the German People's Party, representing the big industries, have leaned toward the Nationalists on the Right, rather than the Socialists on the Left, may be taken to mean that the division between the Government and the Opposition is to be made on economic, rather than political, lines, in itself a sign of returning stability.

In France, the Herriot Government is based on a coalition between the Radicals, who are, after all, in favor of the present economic system, and the Socialists, who desire, at least in theory, an economic revolution. What binds these two factions together is a political issue, the opposition to Nationalism, as expressed by MM. Poincaré or Millerand. What is bound to split them, sooner or later, is a question such as the capital levy, or the expropriation of industries. Similarly, in England the Labor Government had the support of the Liberals for its political program of restoring peace in Europe. It failed to retain it for the economic policy of granting the Russian revolutionists a loan guaranteed by the British Government. And in the offing hovered all the time the Labor plan to impose a capital levy with which to pay the war debts.

Something of the same nature has decided the party lineup in Germany. On the question of deposing the Hohenzollerns, of fulfilling the Treaty obligations, rather than provoke another war, and of maintaining the Republic, all more or less political issues, the Center parties could co-operate with the Social Democrats. But on purely economic questions, such as those which are likely to demand the closest attention in the future, a program common to the Socialist employees, organized on trade-union lines, and to the employers, represented in the Democratic and Center parties, as well as in the People's, was practically impossible to frame. In Germany, too, for instance, the Socialists have expressed themselves in favor of a capital levy.

A Luther Government in Germany, with Dr. Gustav Stresemann as Foreign Minister, does not mean that the Republic is in immediate danger or that the Dawes plan for reparations

will be at once denounced. Though monarchists at heart, the new Nationalist ministers may be willing to accept the Republic à la Stresemann "as is," and several of the old Republican portfolio holders remain. Hans Luther himself has served the Republic as Minister of Finance in several cabinets, and Dr. Gessler, a Democrat, has not budged as Minister of War. Nor has he been left out this time. The real test between the Republic and the restoration of the monarchy will not come until next spring, when a successor to Friedrich Ebert is to be elected by popular vote. In the meantime Germany will remain as stable as possible economically. The Dawes plan was adopted by Nationalist votes.

The Presbyterian Church has voted with the Methodist and Congregational churches in favor of uniting, to form the United Church of Canada. Each Presbyterian congregation has the right to decide, however, whether it will enter the union or remain outside as an independent church. The Methodist Church voted unanimously for union. The Congregational churches, voting separately, were practically unanimous. The voting of Presbyterian congregations is going on at present: it may be next June before the last church has voted. About 3700 Presbyterian congregations have the right to vote. Many may simply enter the union without taking any vote. One estimate is that about 250 congregations will express nonconcurrency, while the rest will enter the United Church.

In many communities, particularly in western Canada, church union has been established without waiting for the general decision to form the United Church of Canada. In such instances, where the advance guard has gone ahead, there is much gratifying evidence to show that church union is beneficial. In places where the field could be adequately served by a single church and minister, one advantage of union has been to release ministers for service in other fields where they are needed. Experience is showing that former Methodists, Presbyterians and Congregational members can work together with the same sense of co-operation in the United Church as they do in organizations outside of the church. The children are as harmonious in the one Sunday school as they are at the public school together during the week. The young people attend the same social functions. They intermarry as Protestants, without allowing barriers of dogma to rule them. Much of the apprehension about the majority from one church trying to rule the adherents from another has been shown to be without foundation in churches where union has been consummated.

Church union in Canada is an expression of the desire of many people to see the more practical application of religion in daily life. It is to be seen in the strong temperance sentiment and moral tone of communities where the movement for the United Church is most advanced. It is expected that the dissident congregations of the Presbyterian Church, after voting nonconcurrency in the union measure, will proceed to organize to perpetuate the name "Presbyterian" in another church in Canada. After more than twenty years of earnest work on the part of religious leaders in the Dominion the goal of the United Church is assured.

## Editorial Notes

In addressing to the business men of Massachusetts 10,000 copies of his pamphlet submitting his plan for a modern state prison, Lewis Parkhurst, a former State Senator, has done the State a distinct service. Mr. Parkhurst's proposals are particularly timely, because the Legislature has before it at this time as an alternative proposal the expenditure of almost as much money as his scheme would demand for an attempted reconstruction of the present antiquated prison at Charlestown. That one or the other of the proposals should be given consideration practically in the immediate future is matter of scarcely any doubt. And that Mr. Parkhurst's recommendation is far and away the wiser of the two is equally obvious to many. He would have a commission of five appointed by the Governor to undertake the task of erecting an up-to-date, efficiently constructed building within fifty miles of Boston, after which the old prison would be sold. The total expenses of this project would not be at all excessive, although, as Mr. Parkhurst points out, expenditure of such a nature really partakes far more of the nature of an investment than anything else. Certainly it is time that Massachusetts delivered itself from this blot on its fair name.

With the official opening of the new road from London to Southend, which is expected to take place in a few weeks, another link will be forged in the chain of arterial highways round London, that, when completed, will enable traffic to proceed in the direction of Southend without passing through congested areas of the metropolis. This road, which has been under construction since December, 1921, and has provided employment for a large number of ex-service men, will eventually, it is expected, be extended westward toward the city, through Leyton into Shoreditch, although in this connection the question of cost is raised as a serious consideration. Faced, as the authorities are, however, in England, with the terrible problem of unemployment, it is more than to be hoped that undue weight will not be accorded to this phase of the situation, for, after all, properly planned road building is, at the last analysis, simply a profitable and necessary investment. There is a line of expenditure in both national and individual experience below which economy becomes lack of wisdom.

### Church Union in Canada

There is the sound of the punching of a drum. There are the bursting notes of a cornet. There is a faint click-click-click, click—is it the Italians with the performing monkey? Or can it be the gypsy? It is the gypsy.

She is wound in bright silks, red, yellow, and green. She has put a high comb in her black hair. Her hair has been dressed with the white of an egg to make it shine. She is wearing a long pair of ferrer earrings. She is very dark. She has a small chin and a sharp nose. Her eyes are black diamonds. Click-click, click, click, click, go the castanets as she dances and lifts her hands above her head and twists them backward and turns away disdainfully. Click-click, click-click, click, click, go the castanets as she sweeps her arms down again. Every muscle is trembling with defiance and verve as her heels stamp the cobbles. Her body is a living rhythm, the string of a harp trembling on its deep and intent note. She derides, she disdains, she appeals, she defies. She brings her arms up slowly, and up, up, up, and above and above, the black diamonds flashing, the chin tilting back, the dancing hands meeting above the head and the fingers reaching higher and higher, higher. Then like falling stars the hands go sweeping down. The dance pauses. Click-click, the dancer disappears. The gypsy sits down on the curb in all her beautiful silks, which, alas! are only cotton. She looks around. She smiles at the children. All gypsies do. The black diamond eyes, do they see what we see in the world? What are you doing? Come! calls the gypsy to the cornet. "Nothing," she says, gets up and strides away. Click-click, click, click, click—

A memory has danced my way. In the listless early afternoon on a road which is fifty miles away and beyond the mountains, too, I am walking. The sun is pouring over the mountains and flowing into deep pools in the plains. The strong smell of wild lavender is about. There is the golden sound of afternoon water tumbling in the brooks. There is the silver sound of hatches breaking the thickets. The air is hard and the sharp lines of the crags are etched upon it.

The bones of the hills stand out with blue shadows below them. The sky and the earth are bare, stripped of clouds and leaves, stripped of wind and rain. The earth is clothed only in sharp and occasional sound. There is also the golden sound of the afternoon water pouring into the streams, and the silver sound of axes in the woods. A stork is standing on a church tower. The stork is a thin bird and is standing on one leg.

Up the hill from among the boulders and the dried broom and the wild lavender strides a woman. She is a tattered creature, a hawk with its feathers trailing. She is a tall woman, over six feet of bone, with the nation and the wind trampled into her rags. She has black hair. Her face is darker than the soil. It is dark like the soil of another land. She is like a hawk.

As she turns on the hill and looks back to the village with its church tower and its stork, I think she is going to spread out vast tattered wings and circle over the valley. She wears defiant earrings. They are of gold or gilt, and are dangling and pricking almost down to her shoulder. Her eyes are black diamonds. She is a gypsy.

She stretches out a long arm at me, and smiles and shouts, "Come, you Grace the Duke, come! I am little Isabel, the marvelous diviner! Let me show you how fortunate you are going to be, Marquess! Ay, what fortune! Come! Give me a small piece of bread, and I will tell you the most marvelous things in the world. You will have an enchanting duchess, you Grace the Duke. What now? No one can refuse little Isabel. Give me a little thing, then. A penny, a halfpenny. You cannot refuse the little Isabel, a piece of bread."

With these words and many more I don't catch the comes splashing up the mountain side from bush to boulder, like a great, gaunt bird floundering, and flut-

## The Gypsy Dancer

tering and shouting. She repeats it all and protests it all, coaxes and flatters. I tell her I will give her two reales if she will tell me about herself.

"I would like much better to tell of the marvelous future of the Marquess than to tell him of the miserable beggar life of a poor gypsy, a poor hungry gypsy, whom no one throws a penny to," she says slyly. "Tell you about me? I have done nothing," she adds, suspiciously. "Nothing. I am I. I live hereabouts, above and below. I came from the village and they have never missed a chicken or a duck, or a stone from the street. Come, the two reales, and I am going. Give me a peseta and I will tell you marvels. You will be very wealthy. You are so handsome: give me two pesetas," she says, looking sideways and appraisingly into the future, "and you will marry a princess."

The stork is standing on the church tower of the village below and the faces of the houses are white and staring in the lengthening sun. Thin, far-away voices come from the thickets, and in the valley the groaning and bumping of an ox cart strike the air. From the green spur of the hill beyond the valley comes the faint pat of a goat bell. The earth is stripped of everything but you.

The thin, crackling voice of the gypsy starts again. There are pauses of suspicion between her sentences. She says:

"I don't come from anywhere. Today from below. Tomorrow, maybe, below again. People call me 'the gypsy.' I am the most famous gypsy in the mountains. From here to the lake of Manzanar everyone knows the gypsy. What a pity it is for the Marquess to miss the good fortune I can tell him! For a poor common peseta to miss the palaces and the enchanting marquisa or queen."

"I am nothing. Don't know where I was born. In Segovia, in Avila, who knows! I have been to the fairs at Valladolid and Medina del Campo. I have lived in the mountains. Yes, life is hard. I have worked hard. What work? Nothing; just work. Work, that is all. For two pesetas I would tell the Duke of the wonders he cannot see—"

Woodmen are tramping up the hill. Their donkeys are laden with sticks. There is a mingling, dipping and rising melody of cowbells in the stirring village below. The croaking and bumping of the ox carts come close to the ear. A flock of goats comes tinkling, stepping down the path toward the church. The stork is gone from the church tower. A boy on the hill is playing a whistle.

The gypsy listens and nods her head and snaps her fingers gayly. After a long time she speaks.

"Ay, how I used to dance," she says. "I have danced in all parts. I have danced even in Madrid. Nowhere was there a greater dancer than I. I went away with a man who had a trumpet, and danced all day. He became very rich. The poor gypsy had nothing. We lived in huts in Segovia. We begged and danced and made bird cages. I wandered about with my man. We went about the country. We did many things for years. I couldn't count the number of roads we followed."

"I have a daughter who is the most beautiful creature in the world. She dances divinely. She went away wandering, dancing, with a man with a cornet and a drum. The riches she must have brought him! But, Prince, I will tell you all your life for three pesetas. At last she went away with two reales and a piece of bread. A boy is driving a cow up the hill. As he passes by I ask what he knows about the gypsy. 'Nothing,' says the boy, shrugging his shoulders. 'She tells long tales and gossips to strangers who have nothing better to do. She's—yamao—a gypsy.'"

Click-click, click, click. The memory is fainter. The dancer pauses. The dance disappears. The dancer and the man with the cornet and the drum are going away across the square. V. S. P.

## The World's Great Capitals: The Week in Rome

Rome, Jan. 27.  
Tewfik Imbiri, the Albanian Chargé d'Affaires in Rome, has tendered his resignation of the post, which he has held for the last three years. A similar decision has been taken by Mehmed Konitza, the Albanian Minister to London; Gen. Ali Kolonia, Minister to Belgrade, and Midhat Fracheri, Minister to Athens. Other highly placed officials are expected to follow the example of the Albanian representatives abroad who do not approve the general policy of the new Albanian Government.

Due acknowledgment has always been made in this column of all worthy actions and efforts on the part of Signor Mussolini, the Government and Fascism, especially in matters of foreign policy and the maintenance of peace. There are occasions, however, on which the other side of the picture is brought to notice, when the good that Fascism has undeniably done to the country, particularly in its first year of power, must for one moment be put aside to record the discredit which, in the eyes of the public, Fascism has placed in highly responsible posts, have brought to their party and to the Nation. Revelations of coercive measures of Fascist in authority appear almost daily in the Opposition press, which prove that the Fascist movement, founded, as under the circumstances it had to be, on violence, has not obliterated the old sense even after the Government has solemnly promised the Nation its gradual return to constitutionalism and law and order.

It was hoped that the elections of April 6, 1925, would bring to an end the remains of lawlessness. Fascism, which since October, 1922, by the hope of high and lucrative positions, and their followers found it difficult to pit off the fighting methods which had been necessary to destroy Communism. Signor Mussolini has not been able to force normalization through. This is understood, has been the most notable failure of the Italian Prime Minister, and that which is most likely to hasten his downfall.

Very few countries have had their electoral system changed three times in the brief space of five years. Italy, after two elections held on proportional representation and one on the short-lived Acerbo Law, returns again to the single member constituency system on the British model, which had worked so satisfactorily for over forty years. The Italian electorate, which is the largest in the world, vote for candidates and not for parties, and unless candidates have their own personal followers in the constituency for which they will stand, they will have little or no chance of success. Certainly six or seven cornered contests will be witnessed, and in many places, although the date of the election is not yet known, electoral propaganda has already begun. Out of a total of 535 deputies, 78 have their own constituencies, for which they were returned in the last general election, held on the single member system in 1913. No less than 480 candidates will have to seek a constituency, and among these is Signor Mussolini himself, who only entered active political life in 1919, when proportional representation had already been introduced.

Now that the booths in the Piazza Navona have sold their last holiday toys and the shrill trumpets which are the joy of every little boy in Rome (this sale comes to an end toward the middle of January); now that all the season's greetings have been given, Rome has entered upon the "official" season, and the Italian capital has assumed an important aspect by the influx of a great number of visitors from all parts of the world. Hotel keepers seem greatly excited and expectant of fabulous profits, although they are not allowed to raise their prices. The streets too have a busy look, not as the result of traffic but with men hard at hand carting mounds of earth, men hurrying to and fro with hand carts filled with bricks and other necessities for road repairs. Eventually Rome will undoubtedly look very neat with smooth asphalt roads on which cabs and taxis will glide noiselessly, but for the moment crossing roads is a matter of grave reflection, especially in the more frequented thoroughfares, such as the Piazza dei Cinquecento, facing the railway station. Whether walking or driving, this piazza is a source of anxiety to the timid and a source of amusement to the cynic.

The Italian Commissioner-General of Emigration has recently informed the agents of a British navigation company in Naples, which for the last forty years provided direct communication between Naples and Australia, that new shipping regulations have been introduced.

Since the war the Italian authorities have issued many regulations of an increasing severity, particularly in reference to the carrying of emigrants on foreign ships, and the recent restrictions seem to be part of a scheme for driving British companies out of the Italian trade. It is not always possible for foreign navigation companies to comply entirely with the demands of the Italian Government, and remonstrances have now been made through the usual diplomatic channels with a view to restoring the former freedom of trade.

Particular care is being given to the sixth international sample fair, which will be inaugurated in Milan next April, so as to insure a success greater than that of previous years. The wooden pavilions are being gradually replaced by permanent structures and its area is being considerably enlarged to increase the number of exhibiting firms. The most important feature will be the Motor Show, which will be held in the Palazzo dello Sport. The Italian Touring Club is constructing a model hotel which will testify to the progress done in this industry since the war. Great Britain will for the first time take an official part in the show, and the British Government is constructing an pavilion in the form of a typical English manor of the Tudor period surrounded by a small garden.

## Letters to the Editor

Brief communications are welcomed, but the editor must remain in judge of their suitability, and he does not undertake to hold himself or the paper responsible for the facts or opinions presented. Anonymous letters are destroyed unread.

### A Fine Piece of Postal Work

To the Editor of The Christian Science Monitor:  
Millions upon millions of pieces of mail are delivered safely and expeditiously to their destination daily in the United States. Too little appreciation is shown for the excellent work thus accomplished by the poorly paid postal employees. Every now and then a letter goes astray, and the sender forthwith with the usual complaint in a voice that seems loud in the silence of withheld, but deserved, approval.

This letter is to express appreciation for a delivery unusually well done. An envelope was mailed, unintentionally to be sure, in Dorchester, Mass., with simply the name upon it and no address. The addressee had recently moved from Cambridge to Wollaston. But with scarcely any delay the letter was properly delivered. Marks on the envelope showed that several alert clerks and carriers had made notations and suggestions, a fact which had evidently contributed to the result attained.

AN APPRECIATIVE CITIZEN.

### Why Not a Transcontinental Rail Service?

To the Editor of The Christian Science Monitor:  
Your editorials of late months have often stressed the element of "service" as a vital factor in the life of individual, corporation, nation, and group. May I suggest a "service" in the railroad department which I think should receive attention?  
Has not the time come to eliminate the Mississippi River as a factor in America's transcontinental rail service? If through trains can be run over several existing railroads, between the Pacific coast cities and Chicago, St. Louis and New Orleans, why cannot the same thing be done with regard to the Nation as a whole?

For example, why should not the San Francisco Overland Limited be run through to New York, the Pacific Limited to Washington, D. C., and so on?  
The railroads would undoubtedly find such a move would stave off driftable competition a number of years, and it would give to the traveling public a sense of continuity and solidarity which is lacking at present. Yountville, Calif. R. L. C.

### Tightening Up On Law Enforcement

To the Editor of The Christian Science Monitor:  
I have advocated for some time the definite policy of requiring inebriated persons to tell where they obtained the liquor they have been drinking. Surely this is logical and just, and if they will not tell, they become a party to the continuance of the crime, as they have been to the crime already committed.  
I believe there is no good reason why any such should not be deprived of his liberty so long as he withholds the information. I think this policy would prove effective. Exeter, N. H. R. E. M.

### "The Committee of Fifty"

to amend the law. What is called a "formidable" movement in this behalf has been launched by the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment. This new attack is sponsored by what is known as "The Committee of Fifty," which seems to be a select group made up of persons from many American cities who are supposed to be able to exert, in Congress and in their several